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or,

# Prayers for Family Worship.

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"But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

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# Preface.

In 1857 the undersigned printed a book of Family Prayers, compiled entirely from the Book of Common Prayer, and adapted to the four principal seasons of the Ecclesiastical Year. That Book was intended for my Parishioners, was bought up and used by them, and was, therefore, never actually published. We could not then have the daily worship of the Church, and I was anxious, in the best way possible, to have the prayers and instructions of the Prayer Book incorporated into the daily thoughts and habits of my people. At the same time I felt that next to the Church, by divine appointment, is the Family, every father of which, in a subordinate sense, is the Priest of God in his own household, and hence that its worship is much more sacred and divine than that of any of the Conventicles of mere human origin.

But there was one serious objection to my Book, as deeply felt by myself as by anyone, viz.: that many of the prayers were consecrated in our affections to the special offices of the Church and could not be changed or altered without a shock to our feelings of propriety and reverence.

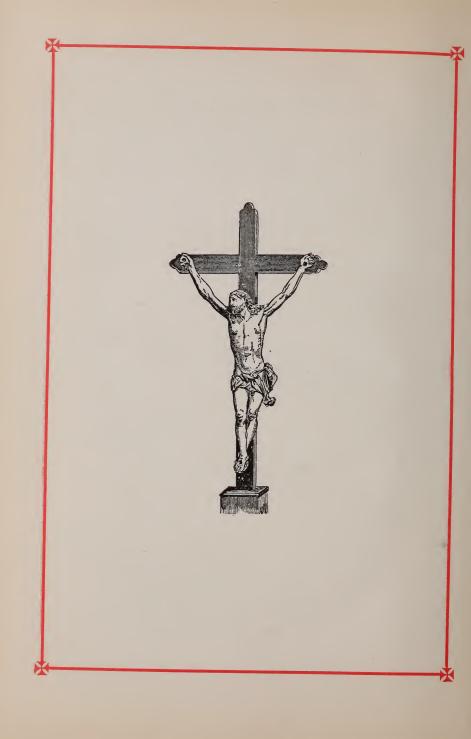
In the present edition of the Family Altar all this has been changed, for though the Book of Common Prayer has been freely used, yet the objectionable features are removed and their place supplied by the best selections I have been able to make from Bright, from The Treasury, and from such Divines as Goulburn, Andrewes, and Taylor.

The Lord's Prayer and the Collects of the Church are first printed for easy reference and daily use. The Introduction on The Family and the Home is here retained, as printed thirty years ago, not because it could not be much improved, but because I am not now well able to revise it, and more than all because it identifies the Book with my dear old Parish of Trinity Church, Cleveland, Ohio.

JAMES A. BOLLES.

'A ROUND each pure domestic shrine
Bright flowers of Eden bloom and twine;
Our hearths are altars all;
The prayers of hungry saints and poor,
Like arméd angels at the door,
Our unseen foes appal."

—Keble.



# Introduction.

To the Members of the Parish of Trinity Church, Cleveland, Ohio:

ITH heartfelt pleasure, I dedicate to you this little volume, intended to assist your devotions at the domestic altar; and I beg leave to accompany this dedication with some remarks on the Family and the Home.

#### A TRUE CHRISTIAN HOME.

"France needs a Washington," said Lamartine. "France needs a people," was the reply of one of her orators. "France needs mothers," was the yet more profound remark of Madame Campan to Napoleon. May we not add, as the great need of our day, and even of Republican America—fathers, and mothers, and sacred homes? Fathers—not merely the sires of a progeny, who recognize in marriage only a civil contract, and nothing but the legalized union of the sexes, but fathers whose hearts respond to the fact that holy matrimony is a divine institution, the ordinance of heaven, the blessing of Paradise before the fall, an emblem of the love of Christ to His Church, and who therefore recognize in the depth of its meaning and designs, a sacred and unfathomable mystery, making them the representatives, to each one of

their children, of the Great and Eternal Father of us all. Mothers—not merely those who have no higher, or purer, or better affection for their young than that which the animal instincts afford, but mothers who understand that "the Church is in Christ as Eve was in Adam," to use the language of the judicious Hooker, and who, therefore, recognize in themselves a type of this relation, to whom God has spoken as by the daughter of Pharaoh He spake to the mother of Moses—" Take this child and nurse it for Me." Homes—not a mere collection of individuals, bound together by no other ties than those of mutual interest and consanguinity, in which the members are boarders until such time as they can provide better for themselves, or as long as the law requires; but homes that are all that the Almighty designed our homes to be—God's household, God's Church, God's family, and a blessed type on earth of the family in heaven—God's Temple, in which the husband and wife are "the Priests of God, declaring to one another and to the world by their union, the mysterious power and the mysterious wisdom of the Almighty, and manifesting forth the glorious fact that there is upon earth holiness, reverence, worship and affection, altogether independent of self."

#### THE HOUSEHOLD OR PATRIARCHAL PRIEST.

In such a home the father rises up to the dignity of his position, as the Priest of God in his own house, and he shrinks not from the discharge of its sacred duties in offering up the daily sacrifice of prayer and praise. In such a home the mother cannot be contemplated apart from the father, for they are both one in office to the family, and both essential to its perfect discharge. What is lacking in

one is made up by the other. The father speaks with authority, the mother is the softening medium to divest that authority of terror, and make it effectual. "The father instructs, the mother instils; the father commands the reason, the mother moves and influences the instinct; the father may finish, the mother must begin; the dominion of the father is over the head; the empire of the mother is over the heart."

#### A RESPONSIVE LITURGY.

In such a home there must be a responsive Liturgy, having its confessions of sin, its petitions for mercy, its thanksgivings for blessings received, its acknowledgments of providential guidance and love, its recognitions of the unity and brotherhood of the Church; its prayers for the penitent, the prodigal and the outcast; its supplications for all sorts and conditions of men. And at the same time, the language of this responsive Liturgy must be so plain, earnest and familiar, as to be adapted to the capacities of all; and yet so dignified, impressive, elevated and solemn, as to command the reverence of the wisest and the affections of the best.

#### THE ORATORY.

In such a home it would be a great blessing to have an Oratory—a consecrated place of prayer—having its Family Altar, its Family Bible and Record, its Book of Common Prayer and Domestic Liturgy, its select Library, its Christian emblems and mementos, its recorded texts of Holy Scripture meeting the eye, and its evidences of sacredness and consecration to the purposes of devotion. And most extraordinary is it, that our Christian men of wealth, when they are designing and building their palaces, so sel-

dom think of the Oratory—the place of prayer. They provide in their houses for every convenience and every luxury; they know the importance of having "a place for everything and everything in its place," and yet they too often forget the God Whom they profess to adore; they provide no special place in their houses for His worship, to which their best affections may cling, where the family altar may be raised, and on which the daily sacrifice of prayer and praise may be offered; all this they leave to accident and chance, and thinking that God may be worshipped anywhere and in any place, they adout a course the result of which is, that He is scarcely worshipped at all in the family and in the closet. one misunderstand these remarks. Such an Oratory as is here contemplated is not an absolute necessity, so that the not having one is any excuse for the omission of prayer. For God can be as truly worshipped in the hovel as in the palace, in the crowded street or upon the open field as in the most magnificent cathedral. But we are local beings, and are much influenced by local circumstances and asso-Hence the importance of having some conseciations. crated place of prayer, not only for the public worship of the Church, but for the private worship of the family, and to which any member of the family may at any time resort for sacred devotion. Our Saviour evidently had some such place in His mind when He said, "When thou prayest, enter into thy closet;" for the word here translated "closet," does not mean, as is generally supposed, a mere private apartment, but it means that very place for private and secret prayer which every Jew had in his house. then we have the example of our blessed Lord Himself, who had not only His consecrated words, but His consecrated place of prayer.

#### FESTIVALS AND FASTS.

In such a home there must be its festivals and fasts, its days of rejoicing and its days of sorrow; its birthdays of nature, its birthdays of grace, and its birthdays of glory, and also its catalogue of departed Saints whose affectionate words and names will ever be cherished in the memory; and perchance its catalogue of martyrs, too, in those who have suffered and died in defense of the household; and possibly its heretics and schismatics in those who have presumed to divide and to rend asunder; and its returning prodigals in those who have found out at last that "there is no place like home," and who have been received and welcomed back with kisses, and open arms, and tears of joy.

#### ITS INDESTRUCTIBILITY.

Such a home can never die. It is as indestructible as the heavens; and though its members one after another may disappear from the eye of flesh, yet they all live, and must be eventually garnered up in the everlasting home of the skies. Can it be otherwise? Is not such a home a type of heaven? Have not the members a bond of union stronger than death? And having been one in spirit and in communion with God in the Church militant on earth, must they not forever be one in spirit and communion with God, in the Church triumphant in heaven? We wonder not that Mr. Evans, in his Rectory of Valehead, where the true Christian home is more particularly and beautifully described, should exclaim, "Merciful God! what a sanctuary hast Thou provided, what a city of refuge hast Thou ordained in the Christian home!"

ITS BLESSING, AND HOW TO BE OBTAINED.

Who can doubt that the possession of such a home is the greatest of all blessings? I am sure there is no father, having the thoughts and feelings and affections of a father, who must not desire it for himself and his children. There is no mother, having a mother's undying love, who must not long for such a home, that she, and all that she holds dear, may be sheltered in it, and feel themselves secure in Christ. There is no son or daughter, or living man or woman, in whose heart the sentiments of the father and the mother do not find a joyous response, and who have not all their lives long been yearning and panting for some such ante-type of heaven and fountain of bliss. But what shall be done? How can the members of every family in our parish obtain the blessings of such a home? Now, I apprehend the first thing to be done, is to open our eyes to the strange and painful condition of society in this respect, and to confess our own sinfulness and guilt as "particeps criminis."

#### THE SOCIAL AND DOMESTIC EVILS OF SECTISM.

We all acknowledge that husband and wife, parent and child, brother and sister, are the dearest, the tenderest, the most sacred, and the most important of all the relations of life. We know that all other human ties may be weakened or trifled with, or even severed, without any material injury to the welfare and happiness of man; but that these cannot be rudely touched, nor much less broken, without the most disastrous results, and results as lasting as the soul. But what are we doing? We are encouraging and countenancing an utter and entire alienation in that only

element which can heal, and soften, and subdue, and knit, and bind our families together. We think it no sin for the husband to be of one faith, and the wife another; the parent to be of one faith and the child another; and the different members of the same family, instead of thinking and acting as the members of one body, to be thinking and acting as members of various bodies; as though Christ was divided, and the Church an apple of discord, instead of a bond of union. Such is the actual state of society, fostered, encouraged, and even justified by professing Christians. Such is an illustration of the horrible evils of Sectarism, as exhibited around us, rending first the Church, and then the family, and thus sorely felt in all the departments and relations of life. Can this be right? Plainly not; for under the Old Testament Dispensation, religion was hereditary and transmissive—the covenant of God included in its promises both parents and children, the family ties were bound together by the bonds of this religious covenant, and from that time to the present the Jews remain an eternal monument of that strengthening and cementing influence which their religious unity exerted upon all the domestic relations of life. And so under the dispensation of the Gospel; I see not how it can be doubted that the Church of God, as one body, and yet Catholic, was intended to act as a bond of union between families, and between the different members of the same family, uniting them more closely together, making them more affectionate, more sympathetic, and more happy in each other, and thus destroying those feuds and animosities which different religious sects and parties are calculated to produce. No matter what might be their various dispositions and temperaments, and mental habits, yet in this "grand concern," the most momentous and the most lasting, the Almighty manifestly intended that they should have one common bond of union, sympathy, and love, never to be broken—"ONE LORD, ONE FAITH, ONE BAPTISM." Such was undoubtedly the design, and such must eventually be the result, when all the various inventions and experiments of human reason shall be fully tried, and man shall come back from his wanderings, and God shall "turn the hearts of parents to their children, and of children to their parents." Let us not be unwilling, then, to open our eyes to the actual condition of society, as existing around us and among ourselves, nor to confess our own sins as partakers of the guilt. Let us remember, it is not in sectarism, not in rending asunder, but in the Church of God, rightly understood, that the blessings of a true Christian home can alone be secured.

#### THE CHURCH AND THE HOME.

Yes, it is only in the Church of God, and as members of the body of Christ, that parents and children can be the recipients of one and the same Baptism; that they can be worshippers of one and the same Lord; that they can be confessors of one and the same faith—the same which was from the beginning, is now and ever shall be; that they can have their minds and hearts imbued with the same devotional thoughts, feelings, sentiments and affections; that they can have their souls changed into the same divine image, from glory to glory; and so a bond of union be established, which no earthly disasters can possibly destroy, and which shall carry the line of religious identity from generation to generation. But you observe that there must be parental fidelity, as well as filial obedience, and the one cannot be expected without the other. For, if the father breaks the bond of union, then will it also be

broken by the child; and if the father despises the Church and her ordinances as a bond of union, then will they also be despised by the child, and thus the breaking of God's covenant will be sure to be followed, sooner or later, by the breaking of the covenant of man; and they who are not one with God in His household, cannot long expect to be one with each other in the household of man.

#### THE RESOLUTION OF JOSHUA.

Finally, to have a true Christian home, every father of a family must come to the resolution of Joshua; not as a mere resolution to be made to-day and broken to-morrow, but as an abiding principle of action,—"as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

You will observe that Joshua does not meanly and cruelly divorce himself from his family and dependents; but like a man and a father who is a father, knowing and understanding his position, and feeling its responsibilities, he goes before, sets an example, takes the lead, and nobly, bravely and magnanimously says: "As for me and my house." But you observe that he speaks not only for himself, but for every member of his household, as one with them in an indissoluble union, and as feeling that in the worship of the only living and true God, there must be no division, no separation, no divorce. But how is this? Has the father a right thus to speak, not only for himself, but also for his children? Manifestly, he has not only the right, but it is his bounden duty thus to speak, as realizing the solemn truth that they are one with himself,—one tree expanded into several branches,—one body, of which he is the head and they are the members, and, therefore, as in human law he is responsible for them, much more must

he be responsible in that law which is divine. Their destiny is in his hands. Awful power! Tremendous responsibility! No wonder that some parents deny it and strive to banish it from their minds. But the effort is suicidal; God will hold them to it; and as well might they attempt to sunder themselves from their own consciousness of thought and action.

#### THE MEANING OF THIS NOBLE RESOLUTION.

But what does this resolution mean?—"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord?" All its meaning would require volumes to unfold. Does it mean that he intended to use brute force to compel them to serve the Lord? Surely not; for that would fail, and drive them farther from him. Does it mean that he intended to be cruel, and morose, and supercilious, and fault-finding, and censorious? Surely not; for such conduct on the part of Christian parents has brought even the Christian household into contempt. Does it mean that he intended to abandon them to choose for themselves whether they would serve God or no? Impossible; for as well might he abandon them to choose their own father among men, as to choose their own God among gods. But in this resolution, the father speaks as a father, as a friend, as a guide, as an instructor, as an exemplar—as the Priest in his own house; as knowing that this family are one with him, that he has already their sympathies, affections, and hearts, and therefore that what he does they will do, cheerfully and gladly; and then he has faith in God, Who has promised to bless the faithful use of all the means of grace. What does the husbandman mean, when he says that his shall be a field of wheat? He means to say

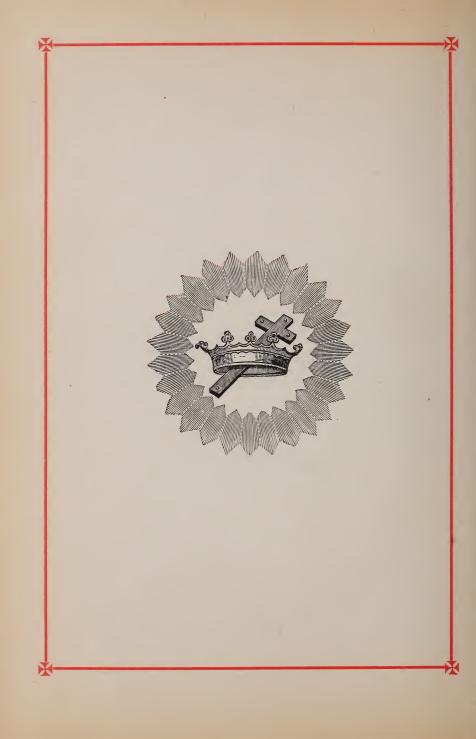
that he will sow wheat, and, though he depends upon the dew and the rain, and the sunshine of God's blessing, yet he knows that the seed sown decides the character of the harvest, and so the father knows the character of the harvest which he himself has sown in the minds and hearts of his offspring.

#### THE OBJECT OF THIS BOOK.

Now, dear brethren, it is to help those of you who are Christian parents, in one of your most important duties as the Priests of God in your own house, that this little volume of Family Prayers has been compiled. There are many other similar works, but none, within my knowledge, which is derived so entirely from the Book of Common Prayer and from the Ancient Collects of the Church. My heart's desire and prayer to God is that it may help you to realize the blessings of a true *Christian Home*.

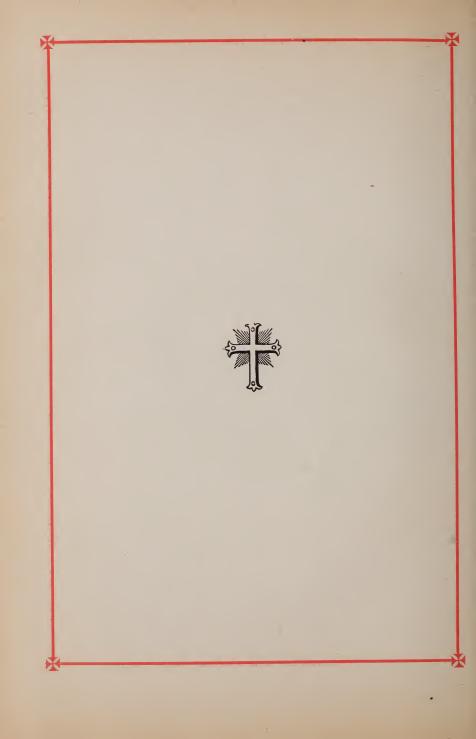
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# The Collects.

From the Book of Common Prayer.



# The Collects.

The First Sunday in Advent.

A LMIGHTY GOD, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which Thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when He shall come again in His glorious Majesty to judge both the quick and dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through Him who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. Amen.

The Second Sunday in Advent.

BLESSED Lord, Who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of Thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which Thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Third Sunday in Advent.

C LORD Jesus Christ, Who at Thy first coming didst send Thy messenger to prepare Thy way before Thee; Grant that the ministers and stewards of Thy mys-

teries may likewise so prepare and make ready Thy way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at Thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in Thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

### The Fourth Sunday in Advent.

LORD, raise up, we pray Thee, Thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, Thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through the satisfaction of Thy Son our Lord, to Whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Nativity of our Lord, or the Birth-day of Christ, commonly called Christmas-day, and the Sunday after.

A LMIGHTY God, Who hast given us Thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon Him, and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin; grant that we, being regenerate, and made Thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

### The Circumcision of Christ.

A LMIGHTY God, Who madest Thy blessed Son to be circumcised, and obedient to the law for man; Grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit, that our hearts, and

all our members, being mortified from all worldly and carnal lusts, we may in all things obey Thy blessed will, through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Epiphany, or the Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles.

GOD, Who by the leading of a star didst manifest Thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles; Mercifully grant that we, who know Thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of Thy glorious Godhead; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The First Sunday after the Epiphany.

LORD, we beseech Thee mercifully to receive the prayers of Thy people who call upon Thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who dost govern all things in heaven and earth; Mercifully hear the supplications of Thy people, and grant us Thy peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth Thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany.

GOD, Who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; Grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany.

Cord, we beseech Thee to keep Thy Church and household continually in Thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of Thy heavenly grace, may evermore be defended by Thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany.

GOD, Whose blessed Son was manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life; Grant us, we beseech Thee, that having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as He is pure; that, when He shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto Him in His eternal and glorious kingdom; where, with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, He liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

The Sunday called Septuagesima, or the Third Sunday before Lent.

O LORD, we beseech Thee favourably to hear the prayers of Thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered

by Thy goodness, for the glory of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen*.

The Sunday called Sexagesima, or the Second Sunday before Lent.

O LORD God, Who seest that we put not our trust in anything that we do; Mercifully grant that by Thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Sunday called Quinquagesima, or the next Sunday before Lent.

Out charity are nothing worth; Send Thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace, and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before Thee. Grant this for Thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. Amen

The First Day of Lent, commonly called Ash-Wednesday.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hatest nothing that Thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of Thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The First Sunday in Lent.

LORD, Who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights; Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the spirit, we may ever obey Thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to Thy honour and glory, Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen*.

## The Second Sunday in Lent.

A LMIGHTY God, Who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Third Sunday in Lent.

W E beseech Thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of Thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of Thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## The Fourth Sunday in Lent.

RANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of Thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

### The Fifth Sunday in Lent.

W E beseech Thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon Thy people; that by Thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Sunday next before Easter.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of Thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent Thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon Him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of His great humility; Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of His patience, and also be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

### Good-Friday.

A LMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, Who now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen*.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, by Whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before Thee for all estates of men in Thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve Thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

MERCIFUL God, Who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that Thou hast made, nor desirest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live; Have mercy upon all Jews, Turks, Infidels, and Heretics; and take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of Thy Word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to Thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

#### Easter-Even.

RANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of Thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections, we may be buried with Him; and that through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection; for His merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Easter-Day, and Monday and Tuesday in Easter-Week.

A LMIGHTY God, Who through Thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; We humbly beseech Thee, that, as by Thy special grace preventing us, Thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by Thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

### The First Sunday after Easter.

A LMIGHTY Father, Who hast given Thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification; Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve Thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### The Second Sunday after Easter.

A LMIGHTY God, Who hast given Thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of godly life; Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that His inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed footsteps of His most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## The Third Sunday after Easter.

A LMIGHTY God, Who showest to them that are in error the light of Thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's Religion, that they may avoid those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

### The Fourth Sunday after Easter.

ALMIGHTY God, Who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto Thy people, that they may love the thing which Thou

commandest, and desire that which Thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

### The Fifth Sunday after Easter.

O LORD, from Whom all good things do come; Grant to us Thy humble servants, that by Thy holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by Thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen*.

### The Ascension Day.

RANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe Thy only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with Him continually dwell, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

## Sunday after Ascension Day.

GOD, the King of Glory, Who hast exalted Thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto Thy kingdom in heaven; We beseech Thee leave us not comfortless; but send to us Thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Whitsun-day and Monday and Tuesday in Whitsun-Week.

GOD, Who as at this time didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

## Trinity Sunday.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast given unto us Thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity; We beseech Thee that thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, Who livest and reignest one God, world without end. Amen.

# The First Sunday after Trinity.

GOD, the strength of all those who put their trust in Thee; Mercifully accept our prayers; and because, through the weakness of our mortal nature, we can do no good thing without Thee, grant us the help of Thy grace, that in keeping Thy commandments we may please Thee, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Second Sunday after Trinity.

O LORD, Who never failest to help and govern those Whom Thou dost bring up in Thy steadfast fear and love; Keep us, we beseech Thee, under the protection of

Thy good providence, and make us to have a perpetual fear and love of Thy holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

### The Third Sunday after Trinity.

O LORD, we beseech Thee mercifully to hear us; and grant that we, to whom Thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may, by Thy mighty aid, be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## The Fourth Sunday after Trinity.

GOD, the protector of all that trust in Thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; Increase and multiply upon us Thy mercy; that, Thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord. Amen.

### The Fifth Sunday after Trinity.

RANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Thy governance, that Thy Church may joyfully serve Thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

### The Sixth Sunday after Trinity.

GOD, Who hast prepared for those who love Thee such good things as pass man's understanding; Pour into our hearts such love toward Thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain Thy promises, which

exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Seventh Sunday after Trinity.

ORD of all power and might, Who art the author and giver of all good things; Graft in our hearts the love of Thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## The Eighth Sunday after Trinity.

GOD, Whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth; We humbly beseech Thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Ninth Sunday after Trinity.

RANT to us, Lord, we besetch Thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right; that we, who cannot do anything that is good without Thee, may by Thee be enabled to live according to Thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Tenth Sunday after Trinity.

ET Thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

# The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.

GOD, Who declarest Thy almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity; Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of Thy grace that we, running the way of Thy commandments, may obtain Thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of Thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve; Pour down upon us the abundance of Thy mercy; forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen*.

# The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity.

A LMIGHTY and merciful God, of Whose only gift it cometh that Thy faithful people do unto Thee true and laudable service; Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so faithfully serve Thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain Thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which Thou dost promise, make us to love that which Thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

# The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.

KEP, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy Church with Thy perpetual mercy; and because the frailty of man without Thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by Thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity.

LORD, we beseech Thee, let Thy continual pity cleanse and defend Thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without Thy succour, preserve it evermore by Thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christour Lord. Amen.

# The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.

ORD, we pray Thee, that Thy grace may always prevent and follow us; and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

# The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.

L ORD, we beseech Thee, grant Thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil; and with pure hearts and minds to follow Thee, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.

GOD, forasmuch as without Thee we are not able to please Thee; Mercifully grant that Thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, of Thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech Thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things which Thou commandest; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.

RANT, we beseech Thee, merciful Lord, to Thy faithful people, pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve Thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.

Church in continual godliness; that, through Thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve Thee in good works, to the glory of Thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.

GOD, our refuge and strength, Who art the author of all godliness; Be ready, we beseech Thee, to hear the devout prayers of Thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully, we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, absolve Thy people from their offences; that through Thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. Amen.

## The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity.

STIR up, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the wills of Thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by Thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Saint Andrew's Day.

A LMIGHTY God, Who didst give such grace unto Thy holy Apostle Saint Andrew, that he readily obeyed the calling of Thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed Him without delay; Grant unto us all, that we, being called by Thy holy Word, may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfil Thy holy commandments; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Saint Thomas the Apostle.

A LMIGHTY and ever living God, Who, for the greater confirmation of the faith, didst suffer Thy holy Apostle Thomas to be doubtful in Thy Son's resurrection; Grant us so perfectly, and without all doubt, to believe in Thy Son Jesus Christ, that our faith in Thy sight may never be reproved. Hear us, O Lord, through the same Jesus Christ, to Whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, now and for evermore. Amen.

# Saint Stephen's Day.

GRANT, O Lord, that in all our sufferings here upon earth for the testimony of Thy truth, we may steadfastly look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory

that shall be revealed; and, being filled with the Holy Ghost, may learn to love and bless our persecutors by the example of Thy first martyr Saint Stephen, who prayed for his murderers to Thee, O blessed Jesus, Who standest at the right hand of God to succour all those who suffer for Thee, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen*.

## Saint John the Evangelist's Day.

M ERCIFUL Lord, we beseech Thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon Thy Church, that it being instructed by the doctrine of Thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist St. John, may so walk in the light of Thy truth, that it may at length attain to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### The Innocents' Day.

ALMIGHTY God, Who out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest infants to glorify Thee by their deaths; Mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by Thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith even unto death, we may glorify Thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### The Conversion of Saint Paul.

GOD, Who, through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, has caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world; Grant, we beseech Thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may show forth our thankfulness unto Thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple, commonly called the Purification of Saint Mary the Virgin.

A LMIGHTY and everliving God, we humbly beseech Thy Majesty, that as Thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto Thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Saint Matthias' Day.

ALMIGHTY God, Who into the place of the traitor Judas, didst choose Thy faithful servant Matthias, to be of the number of the twelve Apostles; Grant that Thy Church, being always preserved from false Apostles, may be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

W E beseech Thee, O Lord, pour Thy grace into our hearts; that as we have known the Incarnation of Thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel, so by His cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Saint Mark's Day.

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast instructed Thy holy Church with the heavenly doctrine of Thy Evangelist Saint Mark; Give us grace, that, being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of Thy holy Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Saint Philip and Saint James' Day.

ALMIGHTY God, Whom truly to know is everlasting life; Grant us perfectly to know Thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life; that following the steps of Thy holy Apostles, Saint Philip and Saint James, we may steadfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## Saint Barnabas the Apostle.

Corrections to the Holy Apostle Barnabas with singular gifts of the Holy Ghost; Leave us not, we beseech Thee, destitute of Thy manifold gifts, nor yet of grace to use them alway to Thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Saint John Baptist's Day.

A LMIGHTY God, by whose providence Thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of Thy Son our Saviour, by preaching repentance; Make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching; and after his example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Saint Peter's Day.

ALMIGHTY God, Who by Thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to Thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts, and commandedst him earnestly to feed Thy flock; Make, we beseech Thee, all Bishops and Pastors diligently

to preach Thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same, that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Saint James the Apostle.

RANT, O merciful God, that as Thine holy Apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, without delay was obedient unto the calling of Thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed Him; so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow Thy holy commandments; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

### The Transfiguration of Christ.

GOD, Who on the mount didst reveal to chosen witnesses Thine only-begotten Son wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistering; Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may be permitted to behold the King in His beauty, Who with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth one God, world without end. Amen.

### Saint Bartholomew the Apostle.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who didst give to Thine Apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach Thy Word; Grant, we beseech Thee, unto Thy Church, to love that Word which he believed, and both to preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Saint Matthew the Apostle.

ALMIGHTY God, Who by Thy blessed Son didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom, to be an Apostle and Evangelist; Grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires, and inordinate love of riches, and to follow the same Thy Son, Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen*.

# St. Michael and all Angels.

EVERLASTING God, Who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order; Mercifully grant, that as Thy holy Angels always do Thee service in heaven, so, by Thy appointment, they may succour and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

### Saint Luke the Evangelist.

A LMIGHTY God, Who calledst Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist and Physician of the soul; May it please Thee, that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merits of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Saint Simon and Saint Jude, Apostles.

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast built Thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the head corner-stone; Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### All Saints' Day.

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast knit together Thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of Thy Son Christ our Lord; Grant us grace so to follow Thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which Thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer and the Collect for the day and week, always to be used.

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on Earth, as it is in Heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

# Additional Collects for Holy Days.

#### Christmas Eve.

GOD, Who hast made this most sacred night to shine with the illumination of the True Light; Grant, we beseech thee, that as we have known the mystery of that Light upon earth, we may also perfectly enjoy it in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Christmas Day.

BLESSED be the Lord God, Who cometh in the Name of the Lord, and hath dawned upon us; Whose coming hath redeemed us, Whose nativity hath enlightened us; Who by His coming hath sought out the lost, and illuminated those who sat in darkness. Grant, therefore, O Father Almighty, that we, celebrating with pious devotion the day of His nativity, may find the day of judgment a day of mercy; that as we have known His benignity as our Redeemer, we may feel His gentle tenderness as our Judge. Amen.

RANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, to Thy people an inviolable firmness of faith; that as they confess Thine Only-begotten Son, the everlasting partaker of Thy glory, to have been born in our very flesh, of the Virgin Mother, they may be delivered from present adversities, and admitted into joys that shall abide; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Epiphany.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, the brightness of faithful souls, Who hast consecrated this solemnity by the first fruits of the chosen Gentiles; fill the world with Thy glory, and show Thyself by the radiance of Thy light to the nations that are subject unto Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

W E beseech Thee, O Lord, mercifully to correct our wanderings, and by the guiding radiance of Thy compassion to bring us to the salutary vision of Thy truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

EAR us, O never-failing Light, Lord our God, our only Light, the Fountain of Light, the Light of Thine Angels, Thrones, Dominions, Principalities, Powers, and of all intelligent beings; Who hast created the light of Thy Saints. May our souls be lamps of Thine, kindled and illuminated by Thee. May they shine and burn with the truth, and never go out in darkness and ashes. May we be Thy house, shining from Thee, shining in Thee; may we shine and fail not; may we ever worship Thee; in Thee may we be kindled, and not be extinguished. Being filled with the splendour of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, may we shine forth inwardly; may the gloom of sins be cleared away, and the light of perpetual faith abide within us. Amen.

### Holy Week.

BY the shedding of the Blood of Christ our Lord, peace has been established in heaven and earth. O, truly precious is the Covenant of Peace, which was made by the offering of that holy Blood! not with gold, nor silver, nor gems, nor pearls, but with the Blood that gushed from the side of the Saviour. That Blood-shedding gladdened heaven, purified earth, and terrified hell. Amen.

CHRIST, the Only-begotten Son of the Unbegotten Father, Who for us wast this day slain, the Innocent for the ungodly; remember the price of Thy blood, and blot out the sins of all Thy people; and as Thou wast pleased to endure for us reproaches, spitting, bonds, blows, the scourge, the cross, the nails, the bitter cup, death, the spear, and lastly burial, vouchsafe to us wretched ones for whom Thou didst suffer this, the infinite blessedness of the heavenly kingdom; that we who bow down in rev-

erence for Thy passion, may be raised up to things heavenly in the joys of Thy Resurrection. Amen.

#### Easter Day.

THE time has come that we have longed for; what greater or better work can be found than to proclaim the might of our Risen Lord? Bursting open the doors of the grave, He has displayed to us the glorious banner of His Resurrection. Through Him the sons of light are born to life eternal; the courts of the kingdom of heaven are opened to believers; and by the law of a blessed intercourse, earthly and heavenly things are interchanged. For by the Cross of Christ we have all been redeemed from death, and by His Resurrection the life of us all has risen again. While He has assumed our mortal nature, we acknowledge Him as the God of majesty; and in the glory of the Godhead we confess Him God and Man: who by dying destroyed our death, and by rising again restored our life,—even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, hear Thy people, who are this day met to glorify the Resurrection of Thy Son our Lord; and guide them on from this festival to eternal gladness, from the exulting joy of this solemnity to joys that have no end. For this is the day of man's Resurrection, the birthday of eternal life; in which we have been satisfied with Thy mercy in the morning, in which the Blessed One Who cometh in the Name of the Lord, and Who is our God, hath shone upon us. Amen.

### Ascension Day.

GOD, Who, to show forth the wonders of Thy Majesty, didst, after Thy Resurrection from the dead, ascend this day into heaven, in the presence of Thine

Apostles, grant us the aid of Thy loving-kindness; that according to Thy promise Thou mayest ever dwell with us on earth, and we with Thee in heaven; where with the Father and the Holy Ghost Thou livest and reignest, world without end. *Amen*.

### Whitsun-day.

GOD, Who wast pleased to send on Thy disciples the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, in the burning fire of Thy love, grant to Thy people to be fervent in the unity of faith; that evermore abiding in Thee, they may be found both steadfast in faith and active in work; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

HOLY SPIRIT, Who proceedest from the Father and the Son, teach us to do the truth, that Thou mayest unite us in a mysterious bond of love to the Father and Son, from Whom Thou proceedest so ineffably. Amen.

## Feast of Saint Michael.

LIGHT of light, O Brightness indescribable, Christ our God, the Wisdom, Power, and Glory of the Father, Who didst appear visibly to all men as the Word made flesh, and having overcome the prince of darkness, didst return to Thy throne on high; grant to us Thy suppliants, amid this dark world, the full outpouring of Thy splendour; appoint the Archangel Michael to be our defender, to guard our going out and coming in; and admit us to a place on Thy right hand, to receive the crown from Thee. Amen.



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Advent, Christmas and Epiphany.



# Sunday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

7E render Thee thanksgiving upon thanksgiving, Lord our God, Father of our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ, by all means, at all times, in all places. For Thou hast sheltered, assisted, supported, and led us on through the time past of our life, and brought us to this hour. And we pray and beseech Thee, O Good and Loving, grant us to pass this holy day, and all the time of our life, without sin; with all joy, health, salvation, sanctification, and fear of Thee. But all envy, all fear, all temptation, all the working of Satan, all conspiracy of wicked men, do Thou drive away, O God, from us, and from Thy holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. Supply us with things good and profitable. Whereinsoever we have sinned against Thee, in word, or deed, or thought, be Thou pleased in Thy love and goodness to pass it over; and forsake us not, O God, who hope in Thee, neither lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, and from his works, by the grace and compassion, and benignity of Thine Only-begotten Son. Amen.

M ERCIFULLY receive, O Lord, the prayers of Thy Church; that all adversities and errors may be destroyed, and it may serve Thee in quiet freedom; and give Thy peace in our times, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

# Sunday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

BLESSED art Thou, Almighty Master, Who hast granted us to pass through this day, and to reach the beginning of the night. Hear our prayers, and those of all Thy people; and forgive us our sins voluntary and involuntary, and accept our evening supplications, and send down on Thine inheritance the fullness of Thy mercy and Thy compassion. Compass us about with Thy holy Angels, arm us with the armour of Thy righteousness, fence us round with Thy truth, guard us with Thy power. Deliver us from every assault and every device of the adversary; and grant us to pass this evening and the ensuing night, and all the days of our life, in fulness of peace and holiness, without sin and stumbling. For it is Thine to pity and to save, O Christ our God. Amen.

RANT us, O Lord, to rejoice in beholding the bliss of Thy Jerusalem, and to be carried in her bosom with perpetual gladness; that as she is the home of the multitude of the Saints, we also may be counted worthy to have our portion within her; and that Thine Only-begotten Son, the Prince and Saviour of all, may in this world graciously relieve His afflicted, and hereafter in His kingdom be the everlasting comfort of His redeemed. *Amen*.

M AKE us, we beseech Thee, O Lord our God, watchful and heedful in awaiting the coming of Thy Son Christ our Lord; that when He shall come and knock, He may find us not sleeping in sins, but awake, and rejoicing in His praises; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

# Monday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

GOD, Who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of Whom standeth our eternal life, Whose service is perfect freedom; Defend us Thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in Thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, Who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with Thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings, being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in Thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A LMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we, Thine unworthy servants, do give Thee most humble and hearty thanks for all Thy goodness and loving kindness to us, and to all men. We bless Thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but, above all, for Thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech Thee, give us that due sense of all Thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we may show forth Thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to Thy service, and by walking before Thee in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus

Christ our Lord; to Whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.* The Grace, etc.

# Monday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

GOD, from Whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto Thy servants that peace, which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey Thy commandments, and also that by Thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen*.

LORD, our heavenly Father, by Whose Almighty power we have been preserved this day; By Thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech Thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that Thou wouldst be pleased to make Thy ways known unto them, Thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for Thy holy Church universal; that it may be so guided and governed by Thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to Thy fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in

mind, body, or estate; that it may please Thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities: giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

# Tuesday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

GOD, Who art the giver of life, of health, and of safety: we bless Thy name, that Thou hast been pleased to deliver us from all the perils and dangers of the night, and to bring us in peace and safety to the beginning of this day. Gracious art Thou, O Lord, and full of compassion to the children of men. May our hearts be duly impressed with a sense of Thy merciful goodness, and may we devote the residue of our days to an humble, holy, and obedient walking before Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSED Lord, enable us to fulfil Thy commands, and command what Thou wilt; prepare our souls against Thy coming, and come when Thou wilt, O Thou Saviour of all who hope in Thee; do with us, as seems best in Thine own eyes; only grant us a patient and penitent spirit; make our service acceptable to Thee, while we live, and our souls ready for Thee, when we die; give us grace in this life, and glory in the life to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord and only Saviour. Amen.

BLESS, O gracious Father, Thine holy Catholic Church, fill it with truth and grace; where it is corrupt, purge it; where it is in error, direct it; where it is superstitious,

rectify it; where it is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen and confirm it; where it is divided and rent asunder, heal the breaches of it, O Thou Holy One of Israel. Amen.

BLESS all those who are called to any office or administration in Thy Church; replenish them with the Truth of Thy doctrine, and innocence of life; accept all their offerings, and let their prayers be as precious incense in Thy sight; that their cries and tears for Thy people, and the city of their God, may not be in vain. All which we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

# Tuesday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

A LMIGHTY and most merciful Father; we have erred, and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare Thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore Thou those who are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and sober life, to the glory of Thy holy Name. Amen.

A LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, Who, of His great mercy, hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who, with hearty Repentance and true Faith, turn unto Him; have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I NTO Thy hands, O blessed Lord, we commend ourselves and all who are near and dear to us, this night and evermore. The Lord bless us and keep us; the Lord make His face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us; the Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon us, and give us peace.

The Grace, etc.

# Wednesday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

(Litany, first part, in which all the family may unite in the responses.)

O GOD, the Father of Heaven; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither take Thou vengeance of our sins; spare us, good Lord, spare Thy people, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us forever:

Spare us good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from Thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation;

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred and malice, and all uncharitableness;

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil;

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from plague, pestilence and famine; from battle and murder, and from sudden death;

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of Thy Word and Commandment;

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of Thy holy Incarnation; by Thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by Thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation;

Good Lord, deliver us.

By Thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by Thy Cross and Passion; by Thy precious Death and Burial; by Thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost;

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment; Good Lord, deliver us.

The Grace, etc.

# Wednesday Evening.

Our Father etc.

COLLECT.

MOST gracious and merciful God, we earnestly pray for Thy pity and compassion, and let Thy powerful grace produce in us such a godly sorrow, and sincere repentance, as Thou wilt be pleased to accept. Give us a strong and lively faith in Thy Son, our blessed Saviour, and make it effectual to the salvation of our souls. Pardon our sins, and save our souls, for the sake and merits of Thy dear Son, our blessed Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

ETERNAL God, our Heavenly Father, Who alone makest men to be of one mind in a house, we bless Thy holy name, that it hath pleased Thee to make us the members of Thy one household of faith, most humbly beseeching Thee to grant to all of us grace, that we may henceforth obediently walk in Thy holy commandments; and, leading a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty, may continually offer unto Thee our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for these Thy mercies towards us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE beseech Thee, Almighty God, let our souls enjoy this their desire, to be enkindled by Thy Spirit; that being filled, as lamps, by the Divine Gift, we may shine like blazing lights before the presence of Thy Son Christ at His coming; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

# Thursday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

WE humbly beseech Thee, O Heavenly Father, to do away as the night all our transgressions, and to scatter our sins as the morning cloud: Lord, forgive whatsoever Thou hast seen amiss in us during the past night, wash us throughly from our wickedness and cleanse us from our sin, and let Thy Holy Spirit so prevent and accompany and follow us during the day on which we are now entering, that we may believe in Thee, and love Thee, and keep Thy commandments, and continue in Thy fear all the day long, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOD, Who hast commanded that no man should be idle, but that we should all work with our hands the thing that is good: look graciously upon Thy servants now going forth to do their duty in that station of life unto which Thou hast been pleased to call them. May Thy blessing be upon our persons, upon our labors, upon our substance, and upon all that belongs to us. Enable us to resist the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil; to follow the motions of Thy Good Spirit; to be serious and holy in our lives; true and just in our dealings; watchful over our thoughts, words, and actions; diligent in our business, and temperate in all things. Give us grace, that we may honestly improve all the talents Thou hast committed to our trust; and that no

worldly business, no worldly pleasures, may ever divert us from the thoughts of the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Grace, etc.

# Thursday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, we confess that we have this day sinned against Heaven and in Thy sight, and are no more worthy to be called Thy children; but do Thou pity, and cleanse, and forgive, and save us for Thy dear Son's sake. *Amen*.

THINE is the day, O Lord, and Thine is the night; grant that the sun of righteousness may abide in our hearts, to drive away the darkness of wicked thoughts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE call to mind, O God, all who are near and dear to us, and all for whom we are bound to pray, beseeching Thee to remember them for good, and to supply, as may be most expedient for them, all their desires and wants. And we commend to Thy mercy all who have wronged us, whether by word or deed, beseeching Thee to forgive them all their sins, and to bring them together with us to Thy heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THOU Keeper of Israel, who neither slumberest nor sleepest, preserve us from all evil, and make us to dwell in safety this night; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

# Friday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

(The responses to this part of the Litany may be said by the family.)

O GOD, the Father of heaven; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God, the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God, the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

We sinners do beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please Thee to rule and govern Thy holy Church universal in the right way;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to bless and preserve all Christian Rulers and Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of Thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and show it accordingly;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to bless and keep all Thy people;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give us an heart to love and fear Thee, and diligently to live after Thy commandments;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give to all Thy people increase of grace to hear meekly Thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to succour, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to preserve all who travel by land or by water, all women in the perils of child-birth, all sick persons, and young children; and to show Thy pity upon all prisoners and captives;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children, and widows, and all who are desolate and oppressed;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to have mercy upon all men;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so that in due time we may enjoy them;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of Thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to Thy holy Word;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God, we beseech Thee to hear us;

Son of God, we beseech Thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world; Grant us Thy peace.

O Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world; Have mercy upon us.

The Grace, etc.

# Friday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

THE COLLECT.

(The responses to this part of the Litany may be said by all present.)

GOD, merciful Father, who despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as are sorrowful; Mercifully assist our prayers which we make before Thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that those evils which the craft and subtilty of the devil or man worketh against us, may, by Thy good Providence, be brought to nought; that we, Thy servants, being hurt by

no persecutions, may evermore give thanks unto Thee in Thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us, for Thy Name's sake.

GOD, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us, the noble works that Thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for Thine honor. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy

Ghost:

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

From our enemies defend us, O Christ.

Graciously look upon our afflictions.

With pity behold the sorrows of our hearts.

Mercifully forgive the sins of Thy people.

Favourably with mercy hear our prayers.

O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ.

Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

O Lord, let Thy mercy be showed upon us; *Answer*. As we do put our trust in Thee. Let us pray.

WE humbly beseech Thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and, for the glory of Thy Name, turn from us all those evils that we most justly have deserved; and grant, that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in Thy mercy, and evermore serve Thee in holiness and pureness of living, to Thy honor and glory: through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

# Saturday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

W E beseech Thee, O Lord our God, let us all rejoice with upright hearts, being gathered together in the unity of faith; that at the Coming of Thy Son our Saviour, we may go forth undefiled to meet Him, in the company of His Saints; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

W E beseech Thee, Almighty God, to behold our prayers, and to pour out upon us Thy loving tenderness; that we who are afflicted by reason of our sins may be refreshed by the Advent of our Saviour; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

W E beseech Thee, O Lord our God, to gird up the loins of our mind by Thy Divine power; that at the Coming of our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son, we may be found worthy of the banquet of eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

GOD, Who didst look on man when he had fallen down into death, and resolve to redeem him by the Advent of Thine Only-begotten Son; grant, we beseech Thee, that they who confess His glorious Incarnation may also be admitted to the fellowship of Him, their Redeemer; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

## Saturday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

MOST merciful God, Who, according to the multitude of Thy mercies, dost so put away the sins of those who truly repent, that Thou rememberest them no more; open Thine eye of mercy upon us Thy servants, who most earnestly desire pardon and forgiveness. Renew in us, most loving Father, whatsoever hath been decayed by the fraud and malice of the devil, or by our own carnal will and frailness; preserve and continue us in the unity of the Church; consider our contrition, accept our tears. And forasmuch as we put our full trust only in Thy mercy, impute not unto us our former sins, but strengthen us with Thy blessed Spirit; and when Thou art pleased to take us hence, take us unto Thy favour, through the merits of Thy most dearly beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A ND accept, O Lord, our intercessions for all mankind. Let the light of Thy Gospel shine upon all nations; and may as many as have received it live as becomes it. Be gracious unto Thy Church; and grant that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may serve Thee faithfully. Bless all in authority over us; and so rule their hearts and strengthen their hands, that they may punish wickedness and vice, and maintain Thy true religion and virtue. Send down Thy blessings, temporal and spiritual, upon all our relations, friends, and neighbors. Reward all who have done us good, and pardon all those who have done or wish us evil, and give them repentance and better minds. Be merciful to all who are in any trouble; and do Thou, the God of pity, administer to

them according to their several necessities, for His sake, Who went about doing good, Thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

RANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the solemnity of our redemption may both bestow upon us assistance for this present life, and also enrich us with the bliss of life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

Zent and Holy Meek.



## Sunday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

ETERNAL God, we praise Thee, and we thank Thee from our inmost hearts, because Thou hast created us after Thine own Image; and hast redeemed us with the precious Blood of Thy dear Son; and in addition to other countless blessings, hast so mercifully preserved us, bringing us safely to the beginning of another day, and keeping us from evils and dangers during the past night. What return, O Lord, shall we make to Thee, for these and all the other manifold mercies which Thou hast bestowed upon us?

BEHOLD, O Lord, we cheerfully give up all to Thee, from Whom alone cometh all that we have. We truly and entirely dedicate, to the greater glory of Thy Name, our bodies and souls, with all their powers and faculties, and all the thoughts, words and actions of this day, that in them all Thy blessed Name may be forever praised and glorified; and this we do in union with all the works which, in the most perfect love, our Saviour wrought on earth for our salvation; so that out of the abundant merits of Thine Only-begotten Son, in Whom Thou art ever well pleased, our offerings may be accepted, our weakness strengthened, and our defects supplied. Amen.

SAVIOUR of the world, Who by Thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us; save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord. *Amen.* 

The Grace, etc.

## Sunday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

#### COLLECT.

GOD of mercy and of pity, of Thy goodness pardon and have compassion upon us, Thy servants; vouchsafe graciously to receive our supplications; of Thy great kindness and long suffering forgive us all the sins into which we have fallen this day; grant us space for repentance, so that we may receive at Thy hand remission of all our sins, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech Thee, O Lord; and by Thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

CORD, we beseech Thee pitifully to behold the sorrows of Thy people, which we bring before Thee; the perils of Thy servants; the sorrowful sighing of prisoners; the miseries of widows and orphans, and all that are desolate and bereaved; the necessities of strangers and travellers; the helplessness and sadness of the weak and sickly; the depressions of the languishing; the weakness of the aged and of children; the trials and aspirations of young men; and the vows of virgins; for Thy mercy's sake. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

## Monday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, in Whom we live and move and have our being; we, Thy needy creatures, render Thee our humble praises, for Thy preservation of us, from the beginning of our lives to this day, and especially for having delivered us from the dangers of the past night. To Thy watchful providence we owe it, that no disturbance hath come nigh us or our dwelling; but that we are brought in safety to the beginning of this day. For these Thy mercies, we bless and magnify Thy glorious Name; humbly beseeching Thee to accept this our morning sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; for His sake Who lay down in the grave, and rose again for us, Thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

A ND, since it is of Thy mercy, O gracious Father, that another day is added to our lives; we here dedicate both our souls and our bodies to Thee and Thy service, in a sober, righteous, and godly life; in which resolution, do Thou, O merciful God, confirm and strengthen us; that, as we grow in age, we may grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

BUT, O God, Who knowest the weakness and corruption of our nature, and the manifold temptations which we daily meet with; we humbly beseech Thee to have compassion on our infirmities, and to give us the constant assistance of Thy Holy Spirit; that we may be effectually restrained from sin, and excited to our duty. Imprint upon our hearts such a dread of Thy judgments, and such a grateful sense of Thy goodness to us, as may

make us both afiaid and ashamed to offend Thee. And, above all, keep in our minds a lively remembrance of that great day in which we must give a strict account of our thoughts, words and actions; and according to the works done in the body, be eternally rewarded or punished, by Him Whom Thou hast appointed the Judge of quick and dead, Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I N particular, we implore Thy grace and protection for the ensuing day. Keep us temperate in our meats and drinks, and diligent in our several callings. Grant us patience under any afflictions Thou shalt see fit to lay on us, and minds always contented with our present condition. Give us grace to be just and upright in all our dealings; quiet and peaceable; full of compassion; and ready to do good to all men, according to our abilities and opportunities. Direct us in all our ways, (and prosper the works of our hands in the business of our several stations). Defend us from all dangers and adversities; and be graciously pleased to take us, and all things belonging to us, under Thy Fatherly care and protection. These things, and whatever else Thou shalt see necessary and convenient to us, we humbly beg, through the merits and mediation of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour.

The Grace, etc.

## Monday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

M OST merciful God, Who art of purer eyes than to behold iniquity, and hast promised forgiveness to all those who confess and forsake their sins; we come

before Thee in an humble sense of our own unworthiness, acknowledging our manifold transgressions of Thy righteous laws. But, O gracious Father, Who desirest not the death of a sinner, look upon us, we beseech Thee, in mercy, and forgive us all our transgressions. Make us deeply sensible of the great evil of them; and work in us an hearty contrition; that we may obtain forgiveness at Thy hands, Who art ever ready to receive humble and penitent sinners; for the sake of Thy Son Jesus Christ, our only Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

A ND lest, through our own frailty, or the temptations which encompass us, we be drawn again into sin, vouchsafe us, we beseech Thee, the direction and assistance of Thy Holy Spirit. Reform whatever is amiss in the temper and disposition of our souls; that no unclean thoughts, unlawful designs, or inordinate desires, may rest there. Purge our hearts from envy, hatred, and malice; that we may never suffer the sun to go down upon our wrath; but may always go to our rest in peace, charity, and good will, with a conscience void of offense towards Thee and towards men; that so, we may be preserved pure and blameless, unto the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

A ND accept, O Lord, our intercessions for all mankind. Let the light of Thy Gospel shine upon all nations; and may as many as have received it, live as becomes it. Be gracious unto Thy Church; and grant that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may serve Thee faithfully. Bless all in authority over us; and so rule their hearts and strengthen their hands, that they may punish wickedness and vice, and maintain Thy true religion and virtue. Send down Thy blessings, tem-

poral and spiritual, upon all our relations, friends and neighbours. Reward all who have done us good, and pardon all those who have done or wish us evil, and give them repentance and better minds. Be merciful to all who are in any trouble; and do Thou, the God of pity, administer to them according to their several necessities; for His sake Who went about doing good, Thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

O our prayers, O Lord, we join our unfeigned thanks for all Thy mercies; for our being, our reason, and all other endowments and faculties of soul and body; for our health, friends, food and raiment, and all the other comforts and conveniences of life. Above all, we adore Thy mercy in sending Thy only Son into the world, to redeem us from sin and eternal death, and in giving us the knowledge and sense of our duty towards Thee. We bless Thee for Thy patience with us, notwithstanding our many and great provocations; for all the directions, assistances, and comforts of Thy Holy Spirit; for Thy continual care and watchful providence over us through the whole course of our lives; and particularly for the mercies and benefits of the past day; beseeching Thee to continue these Thy blessings to us; and to give us grace to show our thankfulness in a sincere obedience to His laws, through Whose merits and intercession we received them all, Thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.

In particular, we beseech Thee to continue Thy gracious protection to us this night. Defend us from all dangers and mischiefs, and from the fear of them; that we may enjoy such refreshing sleep as may fit us for the duties of the following day. Make us ever mindful of the time when we shall lie down in the dust; and grant us grace always

to live in such a state, that we may never be afraid to die; so that, living and dying, we may be Thine, through the merits and satisfaction of Thy Son Christ Jesus, in Whose Name we offer up these our imperfect prayers. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

## Tuesday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, Who art a strong tower of defense unto Thy servants against the face of every enemy, we yield Thee praise and thanksgiving for all the blessings of this morning's light; we acknowledge it Thy goodness that we have not been consumed, and we beseech Thee still to continue Thy mercies towards us that all the world may know that Thou art our Saviour and Mighty Deliverer, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ETERNAL God, Who alone spreadest out the heavens, and rulest the raging of every element, we commend to Thy almighty protection, ourselves and all who are near and dear to us. Guard us, we beseech Thee, from every evil to which we may be exposed. Conduct us in safety to the close of this day, with a grateful sense of Thy mercies, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LOVING Wisdom of the living God, O living everlasting Word and everlasting Power of God the eternal Father,—for everlasting is Thy birth, Who art the everlasting Son of God the everlasting Father, and art God; without Whom is nothing, by Whom are all things; in Whom consisteth whatever is; Who art God above us, and Man for our sakes; for Thou hast willed for us to be what we are; grant us what Thou hast promised; give to us, although unworthy, what Thou hast offered to all alike; that is, that Thy Passion may be our deliverance, and Thy Death our life, and Thy Cross our redemption, and Thy Wound our healing; that being crucified with Thee, we may by Thy gift be lifted up on high to Thy Father, with Whom in bliss Thou livest and reignest, one God, world without end. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

## Tuesday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

RACIOUS Lord, Almighty, Jesus Christ, let Thy sufferings aid us, and defend us from all pain and grief, all peril and misery, all uncleanness of heart, all sin, all scandal and infamy, from evil diseases of soul and body, from sudden and unforeseen death, and from all persecution of our foes visible and invisible. For we know that in what day or hour we call to mind Thy Passion, we shall be safe. Therefore relying on Thine infinite tenderness, we beseech Thee, O most loving Saviour, by Thy most benignant and sacred sufferings to protect us with gracious aid, and in continual tenderness to preserve us from all evil. *Amen*.

GOD, the Son of God,—so loving, yet hated,—so forbearing, yet assaulted unto death,—Who didst show Thyself so gentle and merciful to Thy persecutors; grant that through the wounds of Thy Passion our sins may be expiated, and as in Thy humiliation Thou didst suffer death for us, so now, being glorified, bestow on us everlasting brightness. *Amen*.

M ERCIFUL and faithful High Priest, Who didst deign for us to be tempted of Satan; make speed to aid Thy servants who are assaulted by manifold temptations; and as Thou knowest their infirmities, let them find Thee mighty to save, Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, One God, world without end. Amen.

THE Lord defend us with His Providence and heavenly grace. May His fatherly Hand ever be over us, and His Holy Spirit ever be with us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Wednesday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

SHINE into our hearts, O loving Master, by the pure light of the knowledge of Thyself; and open the eyes of our mind to the contemplation of Thine Evangelic teaching, and put into us the fear of Thy blessed commandments; that trampling down all carnal appetites, we may follow a spiritual life, thinking and doing all things according to Thy good pleasure. For Thou art our sanctification and our illumination, and to Thee we render glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

RANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we who are incessantly afflicted by our own transgressions, may be delivered by the Passion of Thine Only-begotten Son; Who with Thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth one God, world without end. Amen.

E call to mind, O God, before Thy throne of grace, all who are near and dear to us, and all for whom we are bound to pray, beseeching Thee to remember them for good, and to supply, as may be most expedient for them, all their desires and wants. And we commend to Thy mercy all who have wronged us, whether by word or deed, beseeching Thee to forgive them all their sins, and to bring them together with us to Thy heavenly kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

## Wednesday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

Our of the deep have we called unto Thee, O Lord; Lord hear our voice. O let thine ear consider well the voice of our complaint. If Thou, Lord, shouldst be extreme to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who may abide it? But there is mercy with Thee, therefore shalt Thou be feared. We look for the Lord; our souls wait for Him; in Him is our trust.

GOD, Who sparest when we deserve punishment, and in Thy wrath rememberest mercy, we humbly beseech Thee, of Thy goodness, to comfort and succour us in all the trials of this mortal life; correct us not in Thine anger, neither chasten us in Thy sore displeasure. Give us a right understanding of ourselves, and of Thy threats and promises; that so we may neither cast away our confidence in Thee, nor place it anywhere but in Thee. Relieve the distressed. Protect the innocent, and awaken the guilty, and forasmuch as Thou alone bringest light

out of darkness, and good out of evil, grant that whatsoever trials we may here endure, may tend to setting free our souls from the chains of sin, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

LORD Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, Who feedest with Thine own Body those sheep which Thou hast purchased with Thine own Blood, mercifully seek out Thy lost sheep, and bringing them back to the fold, make them fit for the eternal pastures, Who livest and reignest God forever and ever. *Amen*.

UNTO God's gracious mercy and protection, we commit ourselves and all our friends, relatives, and brethren. The Lord make His face to shine upon them; and be gracious unto them. The Lord lift up His countenance upon them, and give them peace, both now and evermore. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

#### Thursday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

BLESSED Jesus, Who wast a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief, and Whose temptation in the wilderness we commemorate at this holy season; give us grace to strive to undo our sinful habits, and to fulfil our neglected duties; bear with our infirmities, and help our efforts to lead a more earnest and holy life; that, meditating on Thy sorrows, which our sins have caused, we may with deep penitence follow Thee along Thy way of sorrows, and joyfully rise with Thee on Easter morn to newness

of life; through Thy merits, Who didst die and rise again for us, the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

LORD, Who, when Thine hour was come, didst go without fear among those that sought Thy life; give us, we pray Thee, when Thou dost call, such boldness to confess Thee before men, and readiness to bear Thy Cross, that hereafter Thou mayest confess us before Thy Father Which is in heaven, and give us to inherit an eternal crown, for Thine own merits' sake, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

GOD, Who art the Author of love, and the Lover of pure peace and affection, heal the diseases of all Christians who are sick, and let all who are terrified by fears, afflicted by poverty, harassed by tribulation, worn down by illness, given over to punishments, and all prisoners, and wayfarers, be set free by Thine indulgent tenderness, raised up by amendment of life, and cherished by Thy daily compassion; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

# Thursday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

GOD, Whose mercy is everlasting, and power infinite, look down with pity and compassion upon us Thy penitent children and enable us by Thy grace cheerfully to submit ourselves to Thy holy will and pleasure. Go not far from us, O Lord, and forasmuch as Thou hast not cut us off but hast chastened as a father, grant that we, duly considering Thy great mercies, may be unfeignedly

thankful, and turn unto Thee with true repentance and sincerity of heart; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MOST gracious and merciful God, we earnestly beseech Thee to have pity and compassion upon impenitent sinners. Visit them, O Lord, with Thy mercy and salvation; convince them of the miserable condition they are in, by their sins and wickedness; and let Thy powerful grace produce in them such a godly sorrow and sincere repentance, as Thou wilt be pleased to accept. Give them a strong and lively faith in Thy Son, our blessed Saviour, and make it effectual to the salvation of their souls. O Lord, in judgment remember mercy; and whatever sufferings they are to endure in this world, yet deliver them, O God, from the bitter pains of eternal death. Pardon their sins and save their souls, for the sake and merits of Thy dear Son, our blessed Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

AY the Almighty God, Who is a most strong tower to all those who put their trust in Him; to Whom all things in heaven, in earth, and under the earth, do bow and obey; be now and ever more our defense; and make us know and feel that there is none other name under heaven given to man, in Whom, and through Whom, we may receive salvation, but only in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

# Friday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

L ORD Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, Who didst descend from heaven to earth, out of the bosom of the Father, and didst sustain five wounds upon the wood

of the Cross, and shed Thy precious Blood for the remission of our sins; we humbly beseech Thee that at the day of judgment we may be set at Thy right hand, and be thought worthy to hear those sweetest words, "Come, ye blessed, into the kingdom of My Father:" Who with the same Father and the Holy Ghost art one God, world without end. Amen.

LORD Jesus Christ, the Son of God and Saviour of the world, Who didst foretell to Thine Apostles that at the time of Thy sufferings they should weep and lament, while the world rejoiced; and that they should be sorrowful, but their sorrow should be turned into joy; grant that, during this time wherein Thou didst suffer and wast afflicted with extreme anguish for the sins of the whole world, we, Thine unworthy servants, may so weep and lament, and be sorrowful for our sins, the cause of all Thy sorrows and sufferings, that, on the day of Thy triumphant Resurrection, we may rejoice with that joy which no man can take from us; Grant this, O blessed Lord and Saviour, Who didst die for our sins, and rise again for our justification, and now livest and reignest with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

## Friday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

O LORD Jesu, Who at the evening hour wouldst that Thy lifeless Body should be taken from the Cross, grant us never while we live to put from us our

Cross which Thou in Thy love bestowest on us; and when we die and are taken from it, make us worthy to be presented before Thee, and to be received into the arms of Thy mercy. *Amen*.

HOLY Jesus, Who, of Thine infinite goodness didst accept the conversion of a sinner on the Cross, open Thine eye of mercy upon us Thy servants, who most earnestly desire pardon and forgiveness. Renew in us whatsoever hath been decayed by the fraud and malice of the devil, or by our own carnal will and frailness. Consider our contrition; accept our repentance; and forasmuch as we put our full trust only in Thy mercy, impute not unto us our former sins, but strengthen us with Thy blessed Spirit; and when Thou art pleased to take us hence, take us unto Thy favour; all of which we beg through Thy merits, O Lord, our Saviour and our Redeemer. Amen.

THE God of all grace, Who hath called us unto His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that we have suffered awhile make us perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle us; the Lord direct our hearts into the love of God and into the patient waiting for Christ. Amen.

## Saturday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

LORD, Who, grieved for their affliction, didst lead Thy people out of the darkness of Egypt, and vouchsafe to deliver them by the hand of Thy servant; do Thou grant also unto us Thy servants, that, delivered from the darkness of this world, we may be allowed to enter into that rest which Thou hast promised to our fathers; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

A LMIGHTY God, with Whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord; and with Whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; we give Thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those Thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labors. And, we beseech Thee, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of Thy Holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in Thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE very God of peace, sanctify us wholly; and we pray God our whole body and soul and spirit be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

M AY the Souls of the Faithful, by the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

# Saturday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks, so longeth our souls after Thee, O God. The Lord hath granted His loving kindness in the day time, and in the night season will we sing of Him, and make our prayers unto the God of our life. O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto Thee? Thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side. Thou dost show wonders among the dead; the dead will

rise up again and praise Thee. Thy loving kindness is shown in the grave, and Thy faithfulness in destruction. Thy wondrous works are known in the dark, and Thy righteousness in the land where all things are forgotten. *Amen.* 

M ERCIFUL God, grant that we who have by baptism put on Christ, and been made the children of God, and of the light, by faith in Jesus Christ, may walk answerably to our Christian calling, and as becometh the children of light, remembering always that baptism representeth unto us our profession, which is to follow the example of our Saviour, Christ; and to be made like unto Him; giving us grace, that, as He died and rose again for us, so we, who are baptized, may die from sin, and rise again unto righteousness; continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living. Hear us, we beseech Thee, through the same, Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

M AY God Almighty bless us, and of His mercy vouchsafe to defend us from all wickedness. Amen.

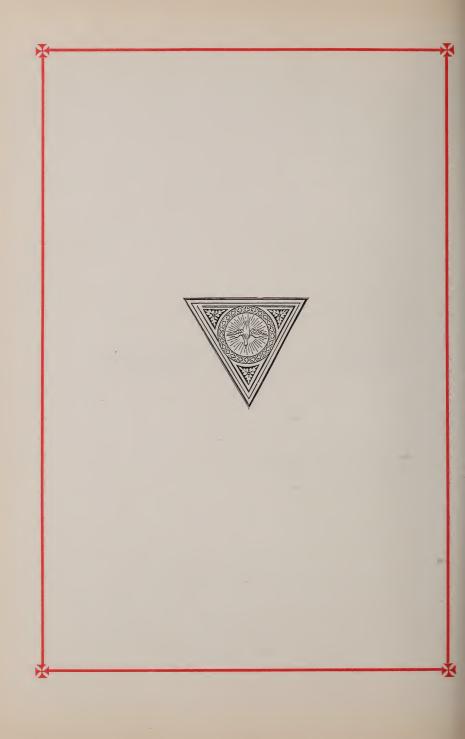
A ND may He Who willed to enlighten this most holy night by the Resurrection of our Redeemer, cleanse our minds from the darkness of our sins, and make them glisten with abundant virtues. *Amen.* 

To the end that, striving to imitate the innocence of the newly-baptized, we may be enabled, like the Wise Virgins, to enter with the shining lights of good works into the chamber of that Bridegroom, Whose Resurrection we are about to celebrate. *Amen*.

The Grace, etc.



Easter, Asgension and Mhitsuntide.



## Sunday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

THIS is the day which the Lord hath made, may we be glad and rejoice in it; may we worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; may we pay our vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house.

CILORY be to God that Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us, and therefore may we keep the feast, not with the old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

C LORY be to God, that Christ being raised from the dead, dieth no more; that death hath no more dominion over Him; and so likewise may we reckon ourselves also to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OST gracious God, incline Thy merciful ears to our prayers, and enlighten our hearts by the grace of Thy Holy Spirit; that we may worthily approach Thy Holy Mysteries, and love Thee with an everlasting love.

CORD, we beseech Thee, may the Comforter Who proceedeth from Thee illuminate our minds, and lead us, as Thy Son hath promised, into all truth.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, may the power of the Holy Ghost be with us, and both mercifully cleanse and purge our hearts, and defend us from all adversities.

LEANSE our consciences, we beseech Thee, O Lord, by Thy visitation; that Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, when He cometh, may find in us a mansion prepared for Himself; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the Unity of the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE God of peace, Who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant; Make us perfect in every good work to do His will, working in us that which is well pleasing in His sight; through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### Sunday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

A T the closing of this Thy own day of holy rest, Eternal, Almighty God, before we sleep we would offer Thee our last act of prayer, of thanksgiving and of praise. Our faults, imperfections, wanderings, irreverences, coldness, indisposition for spiritual things, dulness, torpor, unbelief, selfishness,—forgive, cleanse, hide from Thine eyes, cast away from us, O our God.

THY Grace has been shed this day in the riches of Thy Beneficence, on the evil and on the good. Thy illuminations, healings, callings, miracles, sweetnesses have been everywhere around us. O blessed God, let some

measure of these ineffable gifts rest on us this hour, and abide in us, even as the stillness of night steals on us.

W E unite ourselves with the innumerable host of Angels, with the blessed Virgin Mother, and with all the Saints in Christ our Lord; the vision of eternal things is around us; the eternal Sabbath of God enfolds us. Let us taste some portion here of the rest of Thy Heart, which Thy love opened to us. Lord, we believe, help Thou our unbelief.

LORD, we renew our covenant with Thee. Our purpose is still true; our desire is to grow, to develop the powers of a heavenly life, to subdue wilfulness, to discipline irregularities, to kill the evil in us, to be deeply humble, to increase in charity, to bring every thought into obedience. Thou hast wonderfully drawn our souls, O God, and the past is gone from us, and we are Thine, and we have given up all for Thee; even ourselves we offer Thee. Only keep us fixed in this resolve.

I N love with all, in faith in Thee, in hope of heaven, in a contrite spirit, in union with Jesus, with pure hearts, we lay us down to sleep, O our God. *Amen*.

THE Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord by His Providence shield our bodies, and by His Grace our souls, this night and evermore. Amen.

#### Monday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, we most heartily thank Thee that by Thine innumerable mercies, Thou dost assure us of Thy favour and goodness towards

us, and that by the institution of Thy Holy Church we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of Thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of Thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of Thy dear Son; and we most humbly beseech Thee, O Heavenly Father, so to assist us with Thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as Thou hast prepared for us to walk in, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to Whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.* 

GOD, of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favourably on Thy whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and, by the tranquil operation of Thy perpetual Providence, carry out the work of man's salvation; and let the whole world feel and see that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and all things are returning to perfection through Him from Whom they took their origin, even through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

## Monday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

A LMIGHTY and immortal God; the aid of all who need, the helper of all who flee to Thee for succour, the life of those who believe, and the resurrection of the dead; we call upon Thee for mercy and forgiveness. Receive us, O Lord, as Thou hast promised by Thy well-

beloved Son, saying, Ask, and ye shall receive; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. So give now unto us who ask; let us who seek, find; open the gate unto us who knock; that we may enjoy the everlasting benediction of Thy heavenly grace, and may come to the eternal kingdom which Thou hast promised by Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Cord, we commend unto Thy protection and mercy all those for whom we ought to pray (especially N.), beseeching Thee to supply all their needs, to comfort and support them in all their troubles, to deliver them from all temptations, and to bring them to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the Lord bless us, and defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life; and of His boundless mercy grant unto us, and all His faithful servants, eternal rest and peace. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

## Tuesday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father, we give Thee humble thanks, that Thou hast vouch-safed to call us to the knowledge of Thy Grace, and faith in Thee; increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us, evermore; grant that the old Adam in us, may be so buried that the new man may be raised up in us. Grant that all sinful affections may die in us, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in us. Grant that we may have power and strength to have vic-

tory and to triumph against the devil, the world, and the flesh. Grant that having been dedicated to Thee, by the office and ministry of Thy Church, we may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded through Thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, Who dost live and govern all things, world without end. *Amen*.

OME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, And lighten with celestial fire; Thou the anointing Spirit art, Who dost Thy seven-fold gifts impart; Thy blessed Unction from above, Is comfort, life, and fire of love: Enable with perpetual light The dulness of our blinded sight; Anoint and cheer our soiled face With the abundance of Thy grace; Keep far our foes, give peace at home, Where Thou art guide, no ill can come; Teach us to know the Father, Son, And Thee, of Both, to be but One; That, through the ages all along, This may be our endless song; Praise to Thy eternal merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

#### Tuesday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who of Thy great mercy didst save Noah and his family in the ark from perishing by water; and also didst safely lead the

children of Israel, Thy people, through the Red Sea, figuring thereby Thy holy baptism; and by the baptism of Thy well-beloved Son Jesus Christ, in the River Jordan, didst sanctify the element of water to the mystical washing away of Sin; we beseech Thee, for Thine infinite mercies, that Thou wilt mercifully look upon us Thy servants, wash us and sanctify us with the Holy Ghost, that we, having been delivered from Thy wrath, and received into the ark of Christ's Church, may be steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in charity, and may so pass the waves of this troublesome world that finally we may come to the land of everlasting life, there to reign with Thee, world without end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

RECEIVE us, O blessed Jesus, into the abyss of Thy tender mercy, and wash us from all stain of sin in the great deep of Thy compassion. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

## Wednesday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

W E confess to Thee, Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and before the whole company of heaven, that we have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, through our fault, through our own fault, through our grievous fault; therefore we pray God to have mercy upon us.

GIVE us, O Lord, purity of lips, a clean and innocent heart, and rectitude of action. Give us humility, patience, abstinence, chastity, prudence, justice, fortitude,

temperance. Give us the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and strength, the spirit of knowledge and godliness, and of Thy fear. Make us ever to seek Thy face with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind; grant us to have a contrite and humbled heart in Thy presence—to prefer nothing to Thy love. Most high, eternal and ineffable Wisdom, drive away from us the darkness of blindness and ignorance; most high and eternal Strength, deliver us; most high and eternal Fortitude, assist us; most high and incomprehensible Light, illuminate us; most high and infinite Mercy, have mercy on us. Amen.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, be Thou present to our duties, and grant the protection of Thy presence to all that dwell in this house; that Thou mayest be known to be the Defender of Thy family, and the Inhabitant of this dwelling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

#### Wednesday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

LORD God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity. Root out from among us all sin and wickedness, all discord and infidelity, all errors and false opinions. Rebuke the erring, convert the unbelieving. Bring back into the unity of the Church all those that are in schism, and show unto them the light of Thy grace. Defend from all adversity, both of body and soul, the bishops, pastors, and governors of Thy Church, all Christian rulers and magistrates, and all in authority over us. Convert sinners to true repentance. Preserve the righteous

in the good way. Confirm all their thoughts, words, and works. Have mercy, O Lord, upon all men, and strengthen in Thy service those who are dedicated to Thee. Provide for all those who labour with their hands; raise up those who are oppressed with grief; heal the sick; supply the wants of all who are in need; grant unto travellers a return to their homes; bring to a haven of safety those in perils of the sea; give joy to those who are labouring with child; and deliverance to captives. Forgive all who have sinned with us, or whom we have led into sin. Recompense onehundredfold those whom we have injured, offended, or deceived. Direct in the way of life all united to us, by kindred or friendship; all whose labor or help we make use of; all who pray for us, or desire our prayers, and all who think kindly of us. Hear them in whatsoever trouble they call upon Thee. Vouchsafe both to our enemies and to ourselves constant charity. May we all have patience, kindness, and pity; and may envy, wrath, and bitterness be far from us. O most merciful Father, have mercy upon the souls of all those who have fallen asleep in Christ, especially (----), and on those with whom we have been intimate, or whose possessions we have inherited; to all who have departed in Thy faith, grant, O Lord, eternal rest, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

# Thursday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

O LORD Jesus Christ, Who art ascended into heaven, there to intercede for us Thy servants, to bring the kingdoms of the earth beneath the scepter of Thy right-

eousness, and to draw up Thine Elect in blessed union with Thee, their Head, Who art gone before; grant us firm faith in Thine Almighty power, Christ our God. Strengthen our hope in Thee, Who art forever offering Thyself, in Thy risen and glorified Body, in the most Holy Place, O Christ, our Advocate! Quicken our love towards Thee, O Jesu King most Wonderful, Who didst lead captivity captive, and give gifts unto men, especially the most unspeakable gift of Thy Holy Spirit, uniting us to Thee in bonds of heavenly love. Hear us, O Thou Who hast triumphed gloriously, Bridegroom of Thy Holy Church, and only Mediator between God and man! and grant that we may so follow Thee now in patient toil and suffering, that when Thou comest again to judge the world we may be counted worthy to sit with Thee in heavenly places, through Thy merits, O Lord and only Saviour, Who with the Father and the Holv Ghost, livest and reignest ever One God, world without end. Amen.

AY the holy Angels keep watch around us throughout this day, to protect us against the assaults of the evil one, to suggest to us holy thoughts, to defend us against all dangers, to lead us in the perfect way of peace, and to bring us safe, at length, to our home in heaven. *Amen*.

The Grace, etc.

## Thursday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

A LMIGHTY and merciful God, unto Whose everlasting blessedness we ascend, not by the frailty of the flesh, but by the activity of the soul; make us ever, by

Thine inspiration, to seek after the courts of the heavenly City, and, by Thy mercy, confidently to enter them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

ETERNAL God, creator and preserver of all mankind, giver of all spiritual grace, the author of everlasting life, send Thy blessing upon us Thy servants, that as members of one family and household of faith, we may ever remain in perfect love and peace together, and live according to Thy laws, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I NTO Thy hands, O God, we commend our souls and bodies, which Thou hast redeemed with the most precious blood of Thy dear Son. So bless and sanctify our sleep to us, that it may be temperate, holy, and safe; a refreshment to our wearied bodies, and an interval of repose to our anxious minds. O let us never sleep in sin or death eternal; but give us a watchful and prudent spirit, that we may omit no opportunity of serving Thee. And grant that when the work of our life is done, we may rest in the bosom of paradise, till at the last we are admitted to the full enjoyment of Thy heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

# Friday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

B LESSED art Thou, O Lord our God, Who hast enlightened our eyes that we should not sleep in death, Who hast delivered us from the terror by night, and from the pestilence that walketh in darkness: For

that we laid us down and slept, and rose up again, because Thou, Lord, didst make us dwell in safety.

A ND now that Thou hast added to the number of our days, that this and every day may be employed to the perfecting of holiness in Thy fear, and sweetened with the comforts of health, of peace, and innocence; grant, O good Lord.

THAT all the sins, offences, and neglects of our days already gone, may, by Thy mercy, be freely pardoned and entirely done away; grant, O good Lord.

THAT it may please Thee to bless the world with prosperity and peace, but chiefly with such mercies as Thou knowest to be most expedient for the good of all our souls; grant, O good Lord.

WHATSOEVER things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise that we may think on these things and may do these things; grant, O good Lord.

THAT the Angel of Peace, the holy guide of Thy children, the faithful guard set by Thee over their souls and bodies, may encamp round about us and continually suggest to our mind such things as conduce to Thy glory, and to our salvation; grant, O good Lord.

THAT since this life must shortly have an end; that ours may be concluded with a truly Christian death, a death perfectly void of sin and shame, and if such be Thy good pleasure, as free from pain as may be; grant, O good Lord.

But above all, in regard it is appointed unto all men once to die, and after that the judgment; that we may appear with comfort, and find a favourable account, at the great and terrible tribunal of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, Who, we believe, shall come to be our Judge; grant, O good Lord.

May the power of the Father govern and protect us! May the wisdom of the Son teach and enlighten us! May the influence of the Holy Ghost renew and quicken us! May the blessing of the everlasting and all-holy Trinity be with us, now and forevermore. Amen.

## Friday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

GOD the Father, everlasting, Who didst send Thine adorable, true, and only Son into the world to deliver man, have mercy upon us, miserable sinners.

CHRIST, the King of glory, Who, when Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers, we pray Thee help Thy servants, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood, and make us to be numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting. O Holy Ghost, the Comforter, support and strengthen our weak hearts, keep us henceforth without sin, govern us, and lift us up forever. Amen.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Whose righteousness is like the strong mountains, and Thy judgments like the great deep; grant, that neither the splendor of anything that is great, nor the conceit of anything that is good in us, may withdraw our eyes from looking upon ourselves

as sinful dust and ashes; but that, according to the example of Thy blessed Martyrs of old we may press forward to the prize of the high calling that is before us, in faith and patience, humility and meekness, mortification and self-denial, charity and constant perseverance unto the end; and all this for Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake; to Whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen*.

The Grace, etc.

# Saturday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast built Thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets. Jesus Christ Himself being the chief Cornerstone; grant that, by the operation of the Holy Ghost, all Christians may be so joined together in unity of spirit, and in the bond of peace, that they may be an holy temple acceptable unto Thee. And especially to us here present, give the abundance of Thy grace; that with one heart we may desire the prosperity of Thy holy Apostolic Church, and with one mouth may profess the faith once delivered Defend us from the sins of heresy and to the Saints. schism; let not the foot of pride come nigh to hurt us, nor the hand of the ungodly to cast us down. And grant that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Thy governance, that Thy Church may joyfully serve Thee in all godly quietness; that so we may walk in the ways of truth and peace, and at last be numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting; through Thy merits, O blessed Jesus, Thou gracious Bishop and Shepherd of our souls, who art with the Father and the Holy Ghost one God, world without end. Amen.

MERCIFUL God, the Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ, Who is the resurrection and the life; in Whom whosoever believeth, shall live, though he die; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Him shall not die eternally; Who also hath taught us, by His holy Apostle Saint Paul, not to be sorry, as men without hope, for those who sleep in Him; we humbly beseech Thee, O Father, to raise us from the death of sin unto the life of righteousness, that, when we shall depart this life, we may rest in Him: and that, at the general resurrection in the last day, we may be found acceptable in Thy sight; and receive that blessing, which Thy well-beloved Son shall then pronounce to all who love and fear Thee, saying, Come, ye blessed children of My Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world. Grant this, we beseech Thee, O merciful Father, through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

## Saturday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

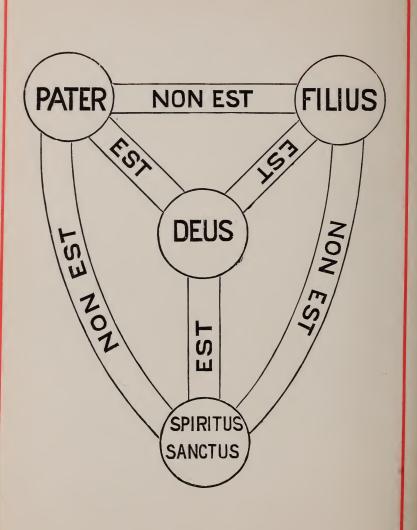
HOW amiable are Thy dwellings, Thou Lord of hosts. Our souls have a desire and a longing to enter into the courts of the Lord. Our hearts and our flesh cry out to the living God. For one day in Thy courts is better than a thousand.

GOD, Who didst appoint the sacred rest of the Sabbath as a sign between Thee and us, of Thy mercy in the creation of the world, and afterwards didst

translate it to the first day of the week, as a memorial of the resurrection of Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; prepare our hearts so to use these days of rest and of public worship, that our prayers and praises may be acceptable in Thy sight. Give us grace to serve Thee with reverence and godly fear; affect us with an awful apprehension of Thy Divine Majesty, and a deep sense of our unworthiness, that so approaching Thy sanctuary with lowliness and devotion, and coming before Thee with clean thoughts and pure hearts, with bodies undefiled and minds sanctified, we may at length be found worthy of a part in the eternal rest, and in the continual hymns of Angels and Blessed Spirits, in the life to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

LMIGHTY God, by Whose will we were created, and by Whose providence we are sustained, by Whose mercy we have been called to the knowledge of our Redeemer, and by Whose grace whatever good we have thought or done has been inspired and directed; grant that we may review our past lives with a spirit of thankfulness and submission, that in affliction we may remember how often we have been succoured, and in prosperity may know and confess from Whose hand the blessing is received. Enable us to improve the time which Thou shalt yet allow us, that we may daily become purer in Thy sight, and as we draw nearer and nearer to the grave, strengthen our faith, enliven our hope, increase our charity, and perfect our repentance, and so help us by Thy Holy Spirit, that when it shall be Thy pleasure to call us hence, we may be received to everlasting happiness, for the sake of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Trinity.



# Sunday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

REAT is the Lord and highly to be praised in the city of our God, even upon His holy hill. O God, according to Thy name so is Thy praise unto the world's end. Glory be to Thee, O God, our Creator. Glory be to Thee, O God, our Redeemer. Glory be to Thee, O God, the Holy Ghost, our Sanctifier, our Guide, our Comforter. All love, all glory, be to the high and undivided Trinity, Whose works are inseparable and Whose dominion endureth, world without end. Amen.

THOU hast healed our wounds, O Lord, by the wounds of Thine Only-begotten Son. What then shall we do now that we have been bought with so great a price? How shall we serve such a Lord, by Whom liberty is promised and an inheritance is offered to us? Work in us, O Lord, what may please Thee; that we may possess Thee, do Thou possess us. We will not go back from Thee; Thou wilt let us live, and we will call upon Thy Name.

ONFIRM, O Lord, in our minds the mysteries of the true faith, that as we confess Him Who was conceived by the Virgin to be Very God and Man, so by the power of His saving resurrection we may be enabled to

attain eternal joy; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOD the Father, Origin of Divinity, Good beyond all that is good, Fair beyond all that is fair, in Whom is calmness, peace and concord; do Thou make up the dissensions which divide us from each other, and bring us back into an unity of love, which may bear some likeness to Thy sublime Nature. And as Thou art above all things, make us one by the unanimity of a good mind, that through the embrace of charity and the bonds of affection we may be spiritually one, as well in ourselves as in each other, through that peace of Thine which maketh all things peaceful, and through the grace, mercy, and tenderness of Thine Only-begotten Son. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

# Sunday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

A LMIGHTY God, and heavenly Father, Who, of Thine infinite love and goodness towards us, hast given to us Thy only and most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer, and the Author of everlasting life; Who, after He had made perfect our redemption by His death, and was ascended into heaven, sent abroad into the world His Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Doctors, and Pastors; by whose labor and ministry He gathered together a great flock in all the parts of the world, to set

forth the eternal praise of Thy holy Name; for these so great benefits of Thy eternal goodness, and for that Thou hast vouchsafed to call Thy servants our Bishops and Pastors to the same office and ministry, appointed for the salvation of mankind, we render unto Thee most hearty thanks, we praise and worship Thee; and we humbly beseech Thee, by the same Thy blessed Son, to grant unto us with all who call upon Thy Name, that we may continue to show ourselves thankful unto Thee for these and all Thy other benefits; and that we may daily increase and go forwards in the knowledge and faith of Thee and Thy Son, by the Holy Spirit. So that as well by Thy Ministers, as by them over whom they are appointed Thy Ministers, Thy holy Name may be forever glorified, and Thy blessed kingdom enlarged; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.

GOD the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace; give us grace seriously to lay to heart the unhappy divisions of Thy Church. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord; that, as there is but one Body, and one Spirit, and one hope of one calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may henceforth be all of one heart, and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Monday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

WE give Thee thanks, Holy Lord, Almighty Father, Eternal God, Who hast guarded us through the hours of the night, and hast vouchsafed to bring us safely to another day; grant us, we pray Thee, to pass this day without sin, that at eventide we may again give thanks unto Thee.

LORD, mercifully incline Thy ears to hear our morning prayers, and of Thy loving-kindness enlighten the depths of our hearts, that no evil desires may rule those hearts which have been renewed by the light of Thy heavenly grace.

W E beseech Thee, O Lord, in Thy loving-kindness, to pour Thy holy light into our souls; that we may ever be devoted to Thee, by Whose wisdom we were created, and by Whose providence we are governed.

LORD, we commend unto Thy protection and mercy all those for whom we ought to pray (especially N.), beseeching Thee to supply all their needs, to comfort and support them in all their troubles, to deliver them in all their temptations, to guide them through this life, to be with them in the hour of death, and to bring them safely to Thy Heavenly Kingdom through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

C LORD Jesus, in union with Thy most perfect actions, we commend to Thee our works of this day, to be directed according to Thy will. Amen.

# Monday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

GOD, merciful and faithful, the aid of all that trust in Thee, keep safely under the shadow of Thy wings ourselves, our relations and friends (especially——), and all believers, even Thy whole Church, that we may enjoy Thy presence always and increase in Thy Holy Spirit more and more, till we come to Thine everlasting Kingdom. Succour the dying, comfort and heal the sick, succour all who are in trouble, sorrow, need, temptation, or any other adversity; and have mercy upon all for whom Thy Son hath shed His precious Blood. Have mercy upon this place and upon this household; and grant that humility and meekness, peace and charity, chastity and purity, may rule therein. Grant that we may so correct and amend ourselves, that we may love, and fear, and serve Thee faithfully all our days; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE Almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost bless and preserve us.

Amen.

## Tuesday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

GOD the Father of our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ, Lord, Whose Name is great, Whose nature is blissful, Whose goodness is inexhaustible, Thou God and Master of all things, Who art blessed forever;

Who sittest on the Cherubim, and art glorified by the Seraphim; before Whom stand thousands of thousands and ten thousand times ten thousand, the hosts of holy Angels and Archangels; sanctify, O Lord, our souls and bodies and spirits, and touch our apprehensions and search out our consciences, and cast out of us every evil thought, every base desire, all envy, and pride, and hypocrisy, all falsehood, all deceit, all wordly anxiety, all covetousness, vainglory, and sloth, all malice, all wrath, all anger, all remembrance of injuries, all blasphemy, and every motion of the flesh and spirit that is contrary to Thy holy will. And grant us, O Lord, the Lover of men, with freedom, without condemnation, with a pure heart and a contrite soul, without confusion of face and with sanctified lips, boldly to call upon Thee, our holy God and Father Who art in heaven. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, Fountain of all Love, we bless and praise Thee, for all those whom Thou hast ever given us to love us or to be loved by us, especially (N.). We would grieve before Thee for all that any of them have ever done to hinder Thy Grace in them; We pray Thee to forgive all, to blot out all. We most earnestly beseech Thee, O Lord, to fill them with Thy Love, to perfect them in every good work according to Thy will. Draw each one to Thyself, we pray Thee, in Thine own way, and lead them to Thee as Thy faithful ones, so that when Thou shalt come in Thy Glory, they may be ready to enter into Thy joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Tuesday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

Thy almighty and most gracious protection, the persons of us Thy servants and all the members of this family. Preserve us from the dangers to which we may be exposed, and from the violence of every enemy; and mercifully grant that all the inhabitants of this land may serve Thee, our God, in peace and quietness; that they may enjoy the blessings of the earth and all the fruits of their labor with a thankful remembrance of Thy mercies, and that they may live to praise and glorify Thy holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LORD, support us all the day long of this troublous life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in Thy mercy give us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

M AY God the Father bless us; Jesus Christ defend and keep us; the power of the Holy Ghost enlighten us and sanctify us, this night and forever. Amen.

## Wednesday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

CLEANSE, O Lord, our consciences by the sincere confession of the Catholic Faith, and by continual contrition of heart; that we may always be heard by Thee in heaven, when we call to Thee for pardon of sins on earth. *Amen*.

GOD, Who art the unsearchable abyss of peace, the ineffable sea of love, the fountain of blessings, and the bestower of affection, Who sendest peace to those that receive it; open to us this day the sea of Thy love, and water us with plenteous streams from the riches of Thy grace, and from the most sweet springs of Thy benignity. Make us children of quietness, and heirs of peace. Enkindle in us the fire of Thy love; sow in us Thy fear; strengthen our weakness by Thy power; bind us closely to Thee and to each other in one firm and indissoluble bond of unity. *Amen*.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in Thy Son's name, we commend unto Thee all our relations, friends, dependents, and those for whom we have been asked to pray. Let Thy Fatherly hand, we beseech Thee, ever be over them, let Thy Holy Spirit ever be with them, and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of Thy word, that in the end they may obtain everlasting life. Pity, O Lord, and have mercy upon all men, for Jesus Christ's sake, Who with Thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever One God, world without end. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

## Wednesday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, make Thy servants alway to join together in seeking Thee with their whole heart, to serve Thee with submissive mind, humbly to implore Thy mercy, and perpetually to rejoice in Thy blessings; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

EAR us, holy Lord, Father Almighty, everlasting God, and be pleased to send Thy holy angel from heaven, to guard, cherish, protect, visit, and defend all who dwell in this habitation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LORD, the keeper of Israel who neither slumberest nor sleepest, be pleased in Thy great mercy to watch over us this night, and make us ever mindful of the time when we shall lie down in the dust. Have mercy upon us O Lord, have mercy upon us. Let Thy mercy be showed upon us as we do put our trust in Thee. Grant us true repentance. Forgive us all our sins, negligences and ignorances. And endue us with the grace of Thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to Thy holy word. Give unto us the increase of faith, hope and charity, and that we may obtain our petitions make us to ask such things as shall please Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

# Thursday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

GOD, the heavens declare Thy glory and the firmament showeth Thy handy work. One day telleth another, and one night certifieth another. But who can tell how oft he offendeth; O cleanse Thou us from our secret faults. Keep Thy servants also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over us. Let the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts be always acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer. Amen.

7E magnify Thee, O God our King, and praise Thy name for ever and ever. Every day do we give thanks unto Thee, and praise Thy name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord and marvellous, worthy to be praised; there is no end of His greatness. The Lord is gracious and merciful, long-suffering and of great goodness. Lord is loving unto every man; and Thy mercy is over all Thy works. All Thy works praise Thee, O Lord, and Thy Saints give thanks unto Thee. With the multitude before the throne whom no man can number, of all nations and kindreds, and people, and tongues, we cry, worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing. Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power be unto Him, that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, forever and ever. Amen.

HOLY Jesus, King of the Saints, and Prince of the Catholic Church, preserve Thy Spouse whom Thou hast purchased with Thy right hand, and redeemed and cleansed with Thy Blood, even Thy whole Catholic Church from one end of the earth to the other, founded upon a Rock, but planted in the sea. O preserve her safe from schism, heresy, and sacrilege. Unite all her members with the bands of faith, hope and charity; and also of an external communion, when it shall seem good in Thine eyes. Let the daily Sacrifice of Prayer and Sacramental Thanksgiving never cease, but be forever presented unto Thee, and forever united to the Intercession of her dearest Lord, and forever prevail for the obtaining for every of its members grace and blessing, pardon and salvation; for Thy most tender mercy's sake. Amen.

## Thursday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

BLESSED be the Holy and undivided Trinity, now, henceforth, and for evermore. Amen.

BLESSED, praised, and hallowed be Jesus Christ on His Throne of Glory, and in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. Amen.

BLESSED be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who hath sent His holy Angels to keep us this day from the sickness that destroyeth at noon and the arrow that flieth by day.

WHO hath given us His Holy Spirit to guide us, to teach us, to dwell in us.

BLESSED and forever hallowed be Thy Holy Name for those never-ceasing showers of blessings by which we live and are content, and blessed and provided for, day by day. Into Thy hands, most blessed Jesu, we commend our souls and bodies, for Thou hast redeemed us with Thy Most Precious Blood. Abide with us; rest with us, we beseech Thee, that we may sleep in peace, and awake with Thee Whom we love.

HOLY, Holy, Holy Lord, God Almighty, Which was, and Which is, and Which is to come. Blessing, and Glory, and Wisdom, and Thanksgiving, and Honour, and Power, and Might, be unto our God forever. Amen.

LORD, we beseech Thee, to our weariness vouchsafe us rest; to our exhaustion renew our strength; lighten our eyes that we sleep not in death; deliver us from the terror by night, and from the pestilence that walketh in darkness; supply us with healthy sleep, and grant us to pass through the night without fear; awaken us at the fitting time, and grant us to seek Thee early for Thy Glory and for Thy service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Grace, etc.

# Friday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

LORD Jesu Christ! Son of the living God! Who for the redemption of mankind didst vouchsafe to ascend the wood of the Cross, that the whole world which lay in darkness might be enlightened; we beseech Thee, pour such light into our souls and bodies, that we may be enabled to attain to that light which is eternal, and through the merits of Thy Passion may after death joyfully enter within the gates of Paradise, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest, one God, world without end. Amen.

Own Elect, Thou wilt mercifully hear us when we call upon Thee.

We beseech Thee, good Lord.

THAT Thou wouldest quicken the whole Body of Thy Church by the power of Thy Holy Ghost, leading all unto fuller knowledge of the truth and more perfect holiness of life.

We beseech Thee, good Lord.

THAT Thou wouldest especially endue the clergy with the spirit of power and love and of a sound mind, and wouldest give them more abundantly the graces of courage and faithfulness and of fervent zeal.

We beseech Thee, good Lord.

THAT Thou wouldest take away all hatred and prejudice and whatsoever doth hinder from godly union and concord; and wouldest teach us all to love the truth and peace.

We beseech Thee, good Lord.

THAT Thou wouldest give unto all Christians, especially in this land, a right understanding and a reverent estimation of the grace of the Apostolic Ministry, and of the blessed efficacy of Thy Sacraments.

We beseech Thee, good Lord.

THAT Thou wouldest bring back all separatists to the One Communion of Thy Holy Church, that we may glorify Thee with one mind and one mouth, and Thy united Church may be the more strengthened for her work of converting the world.

We beseech Thee, good Lord.

THAT Thou wouldest especially bless her endeavours for the propagation of the Gospel among the heathen and the unconverted.

We beseech Thee, good Lord.

THAT Thou wouldest so guide and prepare her by the gifts of Thy grace, that she may do whatever in her lies towards her reunion with the rest of Thy Holy Church throughout the world.

We beseech Thee, good Lord.

CORD Jesu Christ, Who saidst unto Thine Apostles, Peace I leave with you, My Peace I give unto you; regard not our sins, but the faith of Thy Church, and grant her that peace and unity which is agreeable to Thy will, Who livest and reignest, God, forever and ever. Amen.

The Grace, etc.

## Friday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

VISIT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, this habitation, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy. Let Thy holy Angels dwell herein, to preserve us in peace, and let Thy blessing be upon us evermore, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

RANT, O Lord, that Thy family, devoted to Thy service, and confiding in Thy protection, may obtain the blessing which they humbly implore; that being at rest under Thy defence, they may not be left destitute of assistance for this life, and may be prepared for the good things which are eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LET Thy perpetual mercy, O Lord, accompany Thy Church, that while it is placed among the storms of the world, it may both be refreshed with present gladness, and behold the brightness of eternal bliss; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE peace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the virtue of His sacred Passion, the sign of the Holy Cross, and the prayers of all the Holy Saints, be with us and between us and all our enemies, now, and in the hour of death. Amen.

# Saturday Morning.

Our Father, etc.

COLLECT.

GOD of hope, the true Light of faithful souls, and perfect Brightness of the blessed, Who art verily the Light of Thy Church, grant that our hearts may both render Thee a worthy prayer, and alway glorify Thee with the offering of praises; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A LMIGHTY and Everlasting God, Who, by the cooperation of Thy Holy Spirit, didst wonderfully prepare the body and soul of the Blessed Virgin Mary to become a fit habitation for Thy Son, grant that we, who have been gladdened by His Incarnation, by His merits and intercession, may be delivered from all the evils which threaten us, and from everlasting death, Who livest and reignest, God, world without end. Amen.

BLESSED Lord, we commend to Thy fatherly goodness, all those who are any ways afflicted in mind, body, or estate. Relieve the distressed, comfort the sorrowful, protect the innocent, and awaken the guilty. Assist those who draw near the time of their dissolution, and so fit and prepare them, we beseech Thee, against the hour of death, that after their departure hence, in peace and Thy favour, their souls may be received into Thine everlasting kingdom. And we bless Thy Holy Name, for all Thy servants departed this life in Thy faith and fear, and more especially for those who were near and dear to us. laud and magnify Thee for Thy great goodness, in having given them a happy deliverance from the sins and sorrows of this miserable world; and we most humbly beseech Thee, that we may have grace to follow their good examples in steadfastness of faith and godliness of life; that at the last day, we with them, and they with us, may attain to the resurrection of the just, and hear the joyful voice of our Lord, saying unto us, Come ye blessed children of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

# Saturday Evening.

Our Father, etc.

#### COLLECT.

B<sup>E</sup> present, O Lord, to our prayers, and protect us by day and night; that in all successive changes of times we may ever be strengthened by Thine unchangeableness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

LORD Jesus Christ, our great High Priest, we Thine unworthy servants come before Thee, beseeching Thee to shed Thy choicest blessings on all those whom Thou hast called to minister at Thine Altar, all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons throughout Thy whole Church. Give them, we pray Thee, Thine own Mind, Thine own Spirit, Thine own Love, Patience, Humility, Wisdom, Holiness and Self-sacrificing Devotion. Make them all Thou wouldest have them to be; prosper Thy Word, through their Ministry; so that when Thou callest them to Thyself, they may have turned many souls to Thee and may shine as the stars forever. Amen.

GOD, Whose days are without end, and Whose mercies cannot be numbered; make us, we beseech Thee, deeply sensible of the shortness and uncertainty of human life; and let Thy Holy Spirit lead us through this vale of misery, in holiness and righteousness, all the days of our lives; that when we shall have served Thee in our generation, we may be gathered unto our fathers, having the testimony of a good conscience; in the communion of the Catholic Church; in the confidence of a certain faith, in the comfort of a reasonable, religious, and holy hope;

in favour with Thee our God, and in perfect charity with the world. All which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

THE God of peace, Who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do His will, working in us that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Prayers for Special Occasions.

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Kyrie Eleison!

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#### Before the Holy Eucharist.

RANT, O Lord, that we may be truly prepared for the offering of this great Sacrifice to Thee this day; do Thou, O Lord, we pray Thee, possess and govern our hearts by Thy grace, that we may perform this act piously, religiously, and becomingly, so that this our service may be well pleasing to Thee, and profitable to our soul. Amen.

#### Anima Christi.



Soul of Christ, sanctify us!
Body of Christ, save us!
Blood of Christ, inebriate us!
Water from the side of Christ, wash us!
Passion of Christ, strengthen us!
O Good Jesu! hear us!
Within Thy wounds hide us!
Suffer us not to be separated from Thee!
From the malicious enemy defend us!
In the hour of our death, call us!
And bid us come to Thee,
That with Thy Saints we may praise Thee,
Forever and ever. Amen.

## Holy Baptism.

GOD, Who restorest human nature to a higher than its original dignity, look on the ineffable mystery of Thy loving kindness; and in those whom Thou hast been pleased to renew by the mysteries of regeneration, preserve the gifts of Thy perpetual grace and blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOD, Who openest the entrance of the kingdom of heaven to those only who are born again of Water and the Holy Spirit, increase evermore on Thy servants the gifts of Thy grace; that they who have been cleansed from all sins, may not be defrauded of any promises; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### Confirmation.

LORD Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd of the sheep, look mercifully upon these Thy children, and fit them for Confirmation and the Holy Communion. Cleanse their souls that Thy Holy Spirit may dwell in them; and receive them, we beseech Thee, to Thy Blessed Presence in the Holy Communion, that knowing Thee by faith they may after this life have the fruition of Thy glorious Godhead, Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

#### Holy Matrimony.

RANT, merciful Lord, that the persons this day (to be) joined together in holy matrimony may recognize the ineffable mysteries of this sacramental institution;

and may ever remain in perfect love and peace together; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### For the Sick.

GOD, Who ever governest Thy creatures with tender affection; incline Thine ear to our supplications, and graciously regard Thy servant, who is suffering from bodily sickness; and visit him with Thy salvation, and bestow the medicine of heavenly grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOD, Who hast vouchsafed to mankind the remedies that bring salvation, and the gifts of eternal life; preserve to Thy servant the gifts of Thy power, and grant that not only in his body, but also in his soul, he may experience Thy healing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOD of heavenly powers, Who by the might of Thy command drivest away from men's bodies all sickness and all infirmity; be present in Thy goodness to this Thy servant, that his weakness may be banished and his strength recalled, and his health being thereupon restored, he may bless Thy Holy Name, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who succourest those that labour under perils and afflictions, we humbly beseech Thy Majesty, that it may please Thee to send Thy holy Angel to uphold with Thy comfort Thy servant N., who in this house is suffering distress and affliction; that he may both receive Thy present aid, and attain eternal healing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Commendatory Prayers for the Dying.

NTO Thee, O Lord, we commend the soul of Thy servant N., that dying to the world, he may live to Thee; and whatever sins he has committed through the frailty of earthly life, do Thou clear away by Thy most loving and merciful forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast been pleased to breathe into man a soul according to Thy likeness, do Thou, while at Thy bidding dust returns to dust, command Thine image to be associated with Thy Saints and elect in an everlasting home; and gently and tenderly receive it as it returns from the land of Egypt unto Thee, and send Thy holy Angels to meet it, and show it the way of righteousness, and open the gates of Thy glory. Amen.

DEPART, O Christian soul, out of this world, in the Name of God the Father Almighty, Who created thee; in the Name of Jesus Christ His Son, Who suffered for Thee; in the Name of the Holy Ghost, Who has been poured into thee; may thy place be this day in peace, and thy habitation in the Heavenly Jerusalem. *Amen*.

# For the Departed.

ORD, Holy Father, Almighty everlasting God, we pray Thee in Thy pity, in Thy love, wash in the Sacred Fountain of eternal Life, and clothe with the white robe of everlasting Beatitude, the soul of our dear *Brother*. Among the shining Jewels of Paradise may he rest, gazing

into the unfathomable mysteries of Thy wondrous love, in sweet and silent adoration; absorbed in the soft light of the ever-abiding Presence of Jesus, his Lord and his Redeemer, till the Day of the Resurrection, when Thou wilt bring him through the golden gates in the Heavenly City, to Thy dear Feet, there to see Thee face to face in Thy unveiled splendour, there to join the Choir of Thy redeemed ones in the new song, the Song of Songs, there to unite with Seraphim and Cherubim, with Angels and Archangels, in one unending chant of praise through all the ages of Eternity. Amen.

May the Judge before Whom thou must appear, accept thee, purge thee from all earthly stain, purify thee with the purification of the Sanctuary, and draw thee into His bosom of endless rest, forgiven, blessed for evermore. Amen.

M AY the place of waiting be to thee refreshment, light, perfect cleansing, endless growth of divine beauty; the Face of God transforming thee more and more into Himself. Amen.

#### For One Hardened and Impenitent.

BLESSED Jesu, at Whose Name every knee shall bow, of things in Heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; reveal Thyself in Thy Power and Love to Thy servant —. Thy cross is marked upon his brow, Thy Name, O blessed Jesu, is named upon him. Oh! By Thy Cross, Thy wounds, Thy precious Blood, Thy Name of Jesus, by all Thou hast done and suffered for him, Jesu have mercy upon him. Subdue his hardness of heart. Give him grace to weep and to

pray. Pierce, wound and grieve his heart. Deliver him, O merciful Jesu, all-powerful Advocate, from this death. Lord save him for Thine own mercy's sake. Suffer not Thine own to perish; for Thou didst die for him and still Thou dost plead for him in Heaven, O Thou Blessed Son of God, Jesu our Lord and only Saviour. Amen.

#### A Birthday.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, the Maker of all creation, mercifully hear our prayers, and grant many and happy years to Thy servant N., whom Thou didst cause to come forth from his mother's womb into this life, that he may spend all his life so as to please Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Before a Journey.

EAR, O Lord, our prayers, and graciously accompany Thy servant N., on his journey; and as Thou art everywhere, do Thou everywhere bestow on him Thy mercy, that being by Thine assistance defended against all adversities, he may enjoy the fulfilment of his just desires; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Grace before Meals.

BLESS, O Lord, Thy gifts, which we are about to receive from Thy bounty. May Thy gifts, O Lord, be our refreshment, and Thy grace our consolation; for Christ's sake. Amen.

#### Grace after Meals.

WE have been satisfied, O Lord, with Thy gifts and bounties. Fill us with Thy mercy, Who art blessed, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost, art one God, world without end. Amen.

## For a Blessing on Social Intercourse.

GOD, Who makest manifest to us in Thy servants the signs of Thine own Presence, send forth upon us the Spirit of love; that by the coming of our brethren and fellow-servants, Thy bountiful grace may be increased in ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOD, Who visitest the humble, and consolest us by the affection of our brethren; extend Thy grace to our fellowship, that by means of those in whom Thou dwellest, we may feel that Thou art come to visit us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

# For the Bishop of the Diocese.

GOD, the Pastor and Ruler of Thy faithful servants, look down in mercy on Thy servant N., our Bishop, to whom Thou hast given charge over this Diocese, and evermore guide, defend, comfort, sanctify, and save him; and grant him by Thy grace so to advance in word and good example, that he may with the flock committed to him, attain to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### For the Parish Priest.

O LORD our God, we beseech Thee earnestly for Thy Priest our dear Pastor, that Thou wouldst pour upon him the fulness of Thy blessing. Be Thou to him

light, health, protection, all in all. Guard him from all enemies, fleshly and spiritual, from all peril of soul or body, and shield him in the hour of temptation. In trial be Thou his Stay, in trouble his Comfort, in weariness his Rest.

HOLY Ghost, Most Blessed Comforter, we beseech Thee, ever dwell within him; fill him with Thy Seven-fold gifts, and let the sweetness of Thy Consolation flood his soul with heavenly joy.

SHED Thy special Blessing, O Almighty Father, on his work and labor of love in the guidance of souls. Mercifully look on all whom Thou hast given to his care, and grant that in the last day he may be able to give account of us with joy, in the eternal possession of the Beatific Vision. Amen.

#### For the Parish.

A LMIGHTY and Everlasting God, Who dost govern all things in Heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of us, Thy servants, and grant to our parish all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare (especially—). Strengthen and confirm the faithful, visit and relieve the sick, turn and soften the wicked, rouse the careless, recover the fallen, restore the penitent, remove all hindrances to the advancement of Thy truth, and bring all to be of one heart and mind within the fold of Thy Holy Church; to the honour and glory of Thy Blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thanksgivings.

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Laus Deo!

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## Thanksgiving for Recovery from Sickness, or Escape from Danger.

A LMIGHTY God, the giver of life, we bless Thee for Thy late mercy vouchsafed unto us (in restoring Thy servant to health again). Let the remembrance of this and all Thy other deliverances work in us a thankful sense of Thy goodness towards us, a constant trust in Thy providence, and a sincere and steadfast resolution to pass the remainder of our days, by the assistance of Thy grace, in a sober, righteous, and godly manner: that when Thou shalt be pleased to take us out of this world either by sickness or bodily decay, or by a more sudden stroke of Thy hand, we may be prepared for Thy summons, and be received into Thine everlasting kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

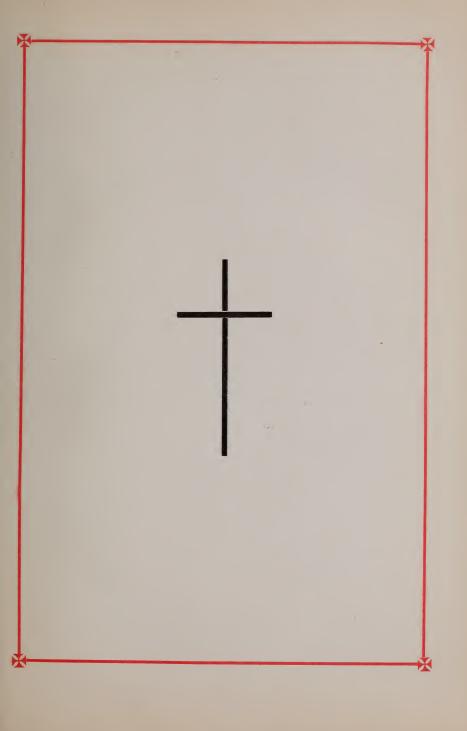
## The Birth of a Child.

LORD God, Who hast taught us that children are an heritage and gift that cometh of Thee; We yield Thee hearty thanks for that Thou hast graciously permitted this child to be born into the world; and we beseech Thee, O Lord, to suffer him to be brought up to Thee, that he may receive remission of his sins by spiritual regeneration; that so being baptized with water and the Holy Ghost, and received into Christ's Holy Church, he

may be brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, to the praise of Thy most holy Name; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen*.

## Thanksgiving after a Journey.

BLESSED be Thy name, O God, Who hast protected and preserved us, (or Thy servant) from many perils and dangers in the journey we have lately taken. Thou hast been a covering to us night and day in every place where we have been, and hast at last brought us home in peace and safety. Give us, we beseech Thee, thankful hearts for these and all Thy mercies, that we may not be taught the value and number of Thy blessings by being deprived of them; but in their constant use and enjoyment may praise Thy mercy and goodness, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to Whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be ascribed all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.



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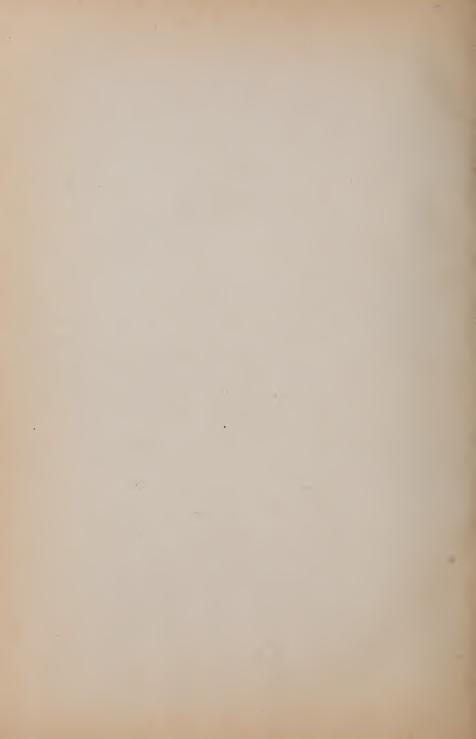












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